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LEWIS IN STRONG ADDRESS DEFENDS PRESIDENT'S STEP

Illinois Senator Answers in Detail Criticisms of Note Sent to Belligerents.

ACTION DEFERRED AGAIN

Senator Works Halts Debate by Gaining Floor for Four-Hour Valedictory Speech.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The American note to belligerent powers suggesting a discussion of peace terms was debated again today in the Senate, but two hours of attack and defense failed to bring to a vote the Hitchcock resolution endorsing President Wilson's action in sending it. The resolution will again come up tomorrow, with the prospect of further antagonistic speeches by Republicans.

An effort by Senator Hitchcock to secure unanimous consent for a vote late tomorrow failed on objection of Senator Brandegee. During parliamentary maneuvering that followed the resolution, Senator Works gained the floor to make a four-hour prepared valedictory speech.

Vote Still Indefinite.

Before Senator Works began, however, Senator Stone, chairman of the foreign relations committee, with whom President Wilson consulted two days ago, spoke briefly, saying the news had gone forth to the world that the President's note was under discussion and that the Senate should consider and act upon it at once. Senator Gallinger, the Republican leader, replied with a warning that any attempt to force action would not meet with approval.

After listening to Senator Works for about two hours, the Senate recessed until tomorrow, when he will resume. The vote on the Hitchcock resolution cannot come at least until he concludes.

The principal speeches today were made by Senator Lodge, who, concluding his attack begun yesterday ,declared adoption of the resolution would be a leap in the dark into international negotiations with which Congress had no legal concern, and no knowledge.

Answers Criticisms in Detail.

Senator Lewis answered in detail the criticisms of the Massachusetts Senator.

Replying to the assertion that the note had been taken as a favorable move for Germany, he said it was but natural that one side or the other to such a controversy should so interpret a move for peace and decared that, after all, this was no reason to defeat so great an end. He strongly dissented from the view expressed by Mr. Lodge that the adoption of the resolution would mean the dragging of the United States into European politics, with danger to the Monroe Doctrine and important democratic policies and accused the Massachusetts senator of incorrectly reciting history to put a Democratic President in a bad light.

"This note," said Senator Lewis, "on its very face nearly tenders the good offices. When good offices are tendered it is not customary, though permissible, to first sound out the parties. The contrary course oftentime is adopted, lest those involved averse to peace would be busy to intercept its result."

Points Out Precedents.

Senator Lewis then reviewed the tender of the good offices of Russia in the war of 1812, and similar action by the United States during the Franco-Mexican war of 1838. The rejection by the United States of tenders by Great Britain and France to end the Civil War, he said, was in no wise a precedent, on account of the previous attitude of those two countries toward this nation.

"So far as I am concerned," he added, "I am not much interested whether the President of the United States conformed to precedent or whether he did not. Of all offenses that have been committed against liberty in America it has been that idolizing of precedent which has no application to modern events and which slays the spirit of things by too much adherence to the letter."

Senator Lewis said the President had not asked the belligerents to submit peace terms nor suggested those terms, but that he asked them to get together among themselves on "anything which to either would be satisfactory as the terms of peace."

"If the position of the senator be well taken," he added, "then there can never be an hour when any man in any place could appropriately approach the question of peace. There would be none to speak for those who have the desire. There would be no agency in the world. Parties would be left to the conflict, to the interminable end, and until death was the inheritance of all, and the silent voice of civilization in destruction would be all that was left to mankind."

German Construction Expected.

Turning to the criticism that the note had been construed as favorable to Germany, Senator Lewis said: "I can hardly imagine any document in a crisis like this that would not receive its construction from one side or another. There are always those interests from one viewpoint or the other. Surely there can be no expression from the President of the United States in a matter so grave as this, but that those interested would readily draw

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POPE IS FOSTERING CHURCH UNION NOW

Will Endeavor Particularly to Re-Unite Russian Orthodox Church and the Papacy.

WILL APPOINT COMMISSION

Private Letters Explaining the New Movement Received From the Vatican by Dr. Apalmieri, at Washington.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Private letters from the Vatican received by Dr. Apalmieri, of the Library of Congress, a recognized writer on ecclesiastical subjects, announced that Pope Benedict XV is about to appoint a commission of four cardinals to renew a movement begun by Pope Leo XIII and abandoned by Pope Pius X, looking to a reunion of Christianity and the cultivation of friendly relations with the Anglican church. A public announcement on the subject from Rome is expected shortly.

Dr. Palmieri said tonight that the new movement, as outlined in his advices, will be directed particularly toward the establishment of a reunion of the Russian church and the Papacy and to a thorough re-examination into the validity of Anglican or Episcopal ordinations which was settled in the negative in a Papal bull "Apostolical Sedis," by Pope Leo X.

The honor of presiding over the commission of cardinals, Dr. Palmieri has been informed, will be bestowed upon Cardinal Nicola Marini, one of the new cardinals created in the last consistory, who has devoted many years to scientific research and to the cause of a reunion of Christianity. The interest of the Pope in the problem of Christian unity is said to have been intensified by the recent progress of the world congress, initiated by the American Episcopal church.

"The new pope," said Dr. Palmieri, summarizing the information received from Rome, "has taken a considerable part in the efforts of neutral nations to establish peace among nations and the vatican's efforts have been suggested not only by a humanitarian spirit, but by a longing for Christian unity and ending the conflict which long since has divided Christian churches. Efforts of Leo XIII for carrying out the reunion of Christianity were abruptly stopped by Piux X, who aimed at an inner reform of the Catholic clergy and turned all his energies to the crushing of modernism.

"Benedict XV thinks it is time to renew the policy of Leo XIII and also that a re-establishment of political peace would be the first step toward renewed attempts to stop the splitting of Chrisianity into a great number of sects.

"For this purpose the Pope intends to set up a commission of four cardinals who will devote their intellect and moral energies to the solution of the difficult problem of religious dissensions within Christendom.

"It seems to the vatican that the Orthodox Slavs will be very soon called

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DANIEL SEEMS IN LEAD FOR SOUTHPORT OFFICE

Several Candidates Have Applied for Postmastership.

Bill for Revenue Cutter for Beaufort Favorably Reported by Commerce Committee of Senate—Daniels' Trip to Charlotte.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—D. O. Daniel seems to be the best bet for appointment as postmaster at Southport to succeed R. S. Newton, who resigned by wire a few days ago. Representative Godwin has received applications from several candidates, including Mr. Daniel, and will make the appointment probably Saturday or certainly early next week.

Besides Mr. Daniel, J. W. Ruark, R. W. Davis, Jr., and William Weeks have applied for the place. While Mr. Godwin has not announced whom he will name, it is thought that Daniel has the inside track and will most likely be named Newton's successor.

The Senate Committee on Commerce today made a favorable report on the bills introduced by Senator Simmons providing for three revenue cutters, one for Beaufort, one for the Pacific coast and one for Detroit, Mich. The bill provides that the vessels shall cost $425,000 each. The committee also reported favorably Senator Simmons' bill providing for an increase in the allowance for subsistence ror soldiers from 30 to 45 cents a day. Senator Simmons reported the bills to the Senate.

It cost the tax payers of the country just $31.28 to send Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels to Charlotte on May 19th to help celebrate the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. The fact that the government paid the Secretary's expenses to Charlotte on May 19th came to light today when Mr. Daniels submitted his report

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PAPER TRUST MAY EXIST, IS BELIEF

Department of Justice to Determine Whether There is Ground to Institute Suits.

TAKES OVER THE INQUIRY

Early Institution of Grand Jury Proceedings, at Which Indictments Would be Asked, is Under Consideration.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Attorney General Gregory today took over the yield of the Federal Trade Commission's inquiry into the print paper market with a view to determining whether there is a paper trust, and to institution of civil and criminal proceedings against manufacturers or others who may have violated the anti-trust laws.

President Wilson is actively interested in recent disclosures of practices pursued in the production and distribution of print paper and is understood to be following the inquiry closely. A mass of complaints and testimony and a large number of secret reports from the commission's investigators have been placed in the Attorney General's hands.

For several weeks, Department of Justice officials have been in frequent consultation with the Trade Commission and are understood to have under serious consideration the early institution of grand jury proceedings at which indictments charging violation of the criminal section of the law will be asked.

The formal taking over of the inquiry by the department today was in response to the following letter sent the Attorney General by Secretary Bracken, of the commission:

"As you know, the Federal Trade Commission, pursuant to resolutions of the Senate, has been conducting an inquitry into conditions in the print paper market.

"The commission is of the opinion that the inquiry has now reached a stage where the further co-operation of the Department of Justice would be advantageous."

Serious Condition Exists.

The Attorney General replied:

"The department will at once take up the matter, and to that end I will have attorneys of the department meet with the commission or with attorneys of the commission as may be desired and go over the data already collected as a basis for determining what further steps to take.

"I know, of course, from what has already been brought out that a serious condition exists in this trade and that any remedy which the law may afford should be applied at once."

Beyond asserting that the investigation and any action the department might take would be hastened as much as possible, Mr. Gregory declined to comment on the situation.

Prepared to Institute Suit.

It is understood, however, that department officials are prepared to institute speedily a dissolution suit against any manufacturers within Federal jurisdiction who are believed to have conspired in restraint of trade or

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BRITISH FIRM OUTBIDS AMERICAN COMPANIES

Offers to Supply Projectiles at a Much Lower Figure.

Daniels Says English Concern's Offer Will be Considered in Placing Contracts by the Navy Department.

Washington, Jan. 4—Despite demands upon British munition plants because of the war Hadfields, limited, an English concern, outbid American companies in proposals opened today for 16-inch and 14-inch armor piercing projectiles for the United States Navy. Not only are the English company's figures more than $200 per projectile below the nearest American competitor, but the time is cut in half, the shells to be delivered in the United States, duty paid.

Five companies submitted proposals for the 16-inch type, the first of that size to be ordered for the Navy. The lowest American bid was for 2,500 projectiles in 32 months at $750. The Hadfields bid was 3,000 in 16 months at $513.

On 14-inch projectiles the lowest American estimate was for 1,000 in 22 months at $500; and the Hadfields for 4,500 in 11 months at $356. Orders for 14-inch projectiles placed last October, 1916, were at $492.

Secretary Daniels said the ability of the English concern to seek foreign orders during the war probably was due to the fact that with heavy ships taking little active part in the naval fighting, there is no need to conserve the ammunition supply for big navy guns. He said the Hadfield company's offer would be considered in awarding contracts.

VILLA ADHERENTS TO DISCUSS NEW GOVERNMENT PLAN

Meeting of Bandit Chief's Partisans and Advisers to be Held at San Antonio.

HIS BROTHER TO ATTEND

Arrangements for Protection of Foreigners Will be Formulated it is Stated.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 4.—A meeting of Villa partisans and advisers will be held in San Antonio, Texas, Friday and Saturday to formulate a plan of organization for the Villa government and to arrange for the protection of foreign lives and property, according to a report received by government agents here today and forwarded to Washington.

The details of the proposed Villa government will be discussed at this meeting, it was added, and the location of the proposed sent of government selected. Hipolita Villa, a brother of Francisco Villa, would represent his brother at the conference, it was said by the Federal agents.

Emiliano Zapata will be represented at the meeting by a delegate named Paz, it is understood.

It was also reported that Dr. Francisco Vasquez Gomez was being considered by one faction as a possible provisional president of the new government. An effort will be made, it was said, to have Villa issue a proclamation giving guarantees to all foreigners and foreign property and to conduct his warfare upon lines similar to the rules of modern warfare.

HIPPOLITO VILLA DENIES CONFERENCE IS TO BE HELD

San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 4. — Hippolito Villa, brother of Francisco Villa, denied emphatically here tonight that there is to be a conference of Villa adherents in this city to plan a Villa government in Mexico. When shown the press dispatches from El Paso, Villa said:

"There evidently is a grave mistake, or an intentionally false report, for no such conference is contemplated by me nor by any of our friends, either in the United States or Mexico. I have no intention of violating any laws of the

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PRESIDENT WILL NOT ABANDON PEACE MOVE

Will Take Another Step if Entente Reply Is Unfavorable.

Should Second Communication be Sent It is Expected President Will Make His Position More Clear Than in First.

Washington, Jan. 4.—If the Entente reply to President Wilson's peace note fails to meet his proposal for an early occasion for an avowal of terms, the President will not let the negotiations drop but will make at least one more move.

This became known definitely today, although it was indicated that no final decision on the nature of the next step had been reached.

If another communication is sent it is expected to make more clear the position of the President as it is felt that as a result of comment abroad and in the United States and the debate in the Senate more or less confusion has arisen as to just what he intended.

President Wilson's chief hope in the ultimate succes of the negotiations is known to lie in his suggestion that a means be found for maintaing peace in the future.

GERMAN IMPRESSION IS THAT EFFORT FOR PEACE IS ENDED

Berlin, via London, Jan. 4.—The official text of the Entente reply to the peace proposals has been finally received by the American embassy by the roundabout route of Washington and Copenhagen. It will be presented by Ambassador Gerard to the foreign office this afternoon. There is no urgency with respect to the presentation as the Swiss minister presented the official text received from Italy on Tuesday.

Sober second thought in official circles confirms the impression expressed in the day press version of the note received here that the note puts an end for the present to all chances of peace and Germany and her allies must buckle down to the task of continuing the struggle with all energy. This undercurrent of opinion is largely supported in the neutral press.

It is considered in some quarters that the reply of the Entente will not entirely close the door to the possibility of peace discussions. Those who hold that belief contend that this could be done either in response to a further invitation from President Wilson to both sides to state their terms simultaneously and confidentially, or perhaps through an open declaration of their terms by the Central Powers.

DOBRUDJA IS PRACTICALLY CLEARED OF DEFENDERS BY CENTRAL POWERS' FORCES

Russo-Rumanians Now Hold Only a Narrow Strip Projecting Into the Danube Marshes—Teutons Continue Invasion of Moldavia From the South and West—Russians Claim Success in Carpathians, With Capture of 600 Men.

Excepf for a narrow strip of land projecting into the Danube marshes toward the Moldavian town of Galatz, all of Dobrudja has been cleared by the Teutonic allies of Russian and Rumanian troops. After the fall of Matchin and Jijila, the defenders began a retreat across the Danube toward Braila, and, according to Berlin, a force of Russian rear guards on the peninsula projecting toward Galatz comprises the only Entente troops now in Rumania between the Danube river and the Black sea.

In Moldavia the Teutonic Allies, notwithstanding the heavy snows, are continuing their invasion of the country from the south and west, although along the front of Field Marshal von Mackensen, in the former region, they are meeting with strong resistance at various points from the Russian and Rumanian troops.

In the wooded Carpathians the Russians in an attack captured from the Germans an advanced position north of Meste-Canesci. Petrograd reports that in this fighting the Russians took 600 men prisoner and captured three cannon, 16 machine guns and other war material.

On the other fronts the operations are still confined to reciprocal bombardments and engagements between small reconnoitering parties. In Galicia the Austro-Germans delivered several attacks against the Russians but they proved unsuccessful. Raids of German trenches northeast of Arras and in the neighborhood of Wytschaete are reported by the London war office, which asserts also that a German attempt against British trenches east of Armentieres was put down with losses to the attackers.

A German submarine in the Mediterranean has sung the former Cunard liner Ivernia which was acting as a British transport. Many of the ship's company, including officers, soldiers and crew, are missing.

RUSSO-RUMANIANS HOLD BUT SMALL STRIP IN DOBRUDJA.

Berlin, Jan. 4 (via Sayville)—Dobrudja has been cleared of Russian and Rumanian defenders with the exception of a Russian rear guard which occupies a narrow strip of land leading toward Galatz, says the war office announcement today. About 1,000 prisoners and ten machine guns were captured in the taking of Matchin and Jijila.

FORMAL REPLY TO CARRANZA IS MADE

If Mexican Members Desire, Joint Commission Will Meet Again for Dissolution.

SITUATION IS UNCHANGED

No Decision Has Been Announced By President as to Suggestion for Withdrawal of Troops—Fletcher May Soon Go To Mexico.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Interest in the Mexican situation remained centered tonight on what action by President Wilson might follow his approval of the recommendation of the American members that conferences of the Mexican-American joint commission be brought to an end.

Dr. J. R. Mott, one of the American commissioners, carried to the Mexican members in New York today a formal reply to the last communication from General Carranza, in which he again had refused to ratify the protocol providing for the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico. If Luis Cabrera, chairman of the Mexican group, and his colleagues, Ignacio Bonillas and Alberto J. Pani, desire it, a last meeting will be held, probably in Washington, merely for the dissolution of the commission.

There has been no announcement of the President's decision as to the American commissioners' suggestion that he act on his own initiative in the matter of withdrawing the troops, and that diplomatic chanels be provided for dealing with questions at issue between the two governments. It appears certain, however, that Henry P. Fletcher will be sent to his post in Mexico as ambassador.

Some administration officials oppose haste in ordering Pershing's men out of Mexico on the ground that it might give Carranza the impression that it was because of his insistence, when in reality the chief motive would be to release National Guardsmen on the border and take the regulars out of a poor strategic position.

Secretary Baker conferred with the President late today and later announced that there was no change in the situation.

Mr. Fletcher was without orders tonight to proceed to Mexico, but it was believed that his dispatch would not be long delayed. It was explained by administration officials that the action of the delegates to the Mexican constitutional congress, now in session at Queretaro, made the presence of a fully accredited diplomatic officer of prime importance to the United States government which see in some of the reforms being considered by Carranza and his adherents the basis for early embarrassments.

Military phases of the situation were watched with greater interest today on account of the probable alteration of policy. Officially it was reported that refugees reaching the west coast yesterday had said that on January 1 the Carranza garrison exacuated Durango, capital of the state of the same name, which was promptly occupied by Villistas. It also was reported in private messages that in the latter part of December Campeche, in the southern end of Mexico, fell into the hands of the rebels.

DELEGATION OF TWENTY FROM ATKINSON GOES TO RALEIGH

Atkinson, N. C., Jan. 4.—A delegation of 20 left Atkinson tonight for Raleigh, in behalf of the stock law and the interest of all the tax payers of Pender county, as well as the county's interest.

BRITISH TRANSPORT SUNK; 150 MISSING

The Ivernia Was Sent Down by Enemy Submarine in the Mediterranean, January 1st.

IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED

Those Definitely Stated as Missing are Military Officers and Men—Nothing Known as to Casualties Among Ship's Crew.

London, Jan. 4.—The British transport Ivernia has been sunk, it was officially announced tonight. One hundred and fifty military officers and men are missing.

The text of the announcement reads as follows:

"The Ivernia was sunk by an enemy submarine in the Mediterranean on January 1 during bad weather and while carrying troops. At present four military officers and 146 men are missing.

"The casualties among the Ivernia's officers and crew are not yet definitely known, but hopes are entertained that the only officers of the ship missing are the surgeon and chief engineer."

The Cunard liner Ivernia, a 14,278-ton steamer, has been for some time in the British government service as a transport, having at various times carried troops from Canada and between British ports and the Dardanelles. There has been nothing in recent reports regarding her movements. She was built in 1900 at New Castle. Her length was 582 feet and she was 64 feet beam and 37 feet in draught.

ONE SPANISH AND TWO GREEK STEAMERS REPORTED SUNK.

London, Jan. 4.—Lloyd's agency announces the sinking of the Spanish steamer San Leandro, of 1,616 tons, and the Greek steamers Dimitrios Goulandris, of 3,744 tons, and Aristotles G. Ioannou.

THREE NEW CUTTERS.

Proposed in Bill Reported to Senate. One for Beaufort, N. C.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Three new coast guard cutters, one to be stationed at Beaufort, N. C., one at Detroit and the other at Honolulu, costing together $1,350,000, are proposed in a bill favorably reported to the Senate today by the commerce committee.

CONFER ON WARSHIPS.

Representatives of Shipbuilders Meet With Navy Officials.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Representatives of the four shipbuilding companies, which have offered to construct battle cruisers for the Navy on a cost and percentage of profit basis, conferred with Secretary Daniels and other Navy Department officials today and tomorrow a form of contract will be submitted to the Secretary. The chief point still to be settled, it is understood, is the percentage of profit the builders can earn. Indications are that 10 per cent will be agreed upon.

SWIFT COMPANY EARNINGS.

Report Submitted to Stockholders at Annual Meeting Yesterday.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Gross sales of $575,000,000 and net profits of $20,465,000 were shown in the report of Swift & Company, packers, for the year ending September 30, 1916, submitted to the stockholders of the company at their annual meeting today. The gross sales for 1915 were $500,000,000 and the net profits $14,087,500.

SENATE AND HOUSE BREAKING RECORDS FOR SPEEDY WORK

Morning, Afternoon and Night Sessions Held Yesterday; 300 Bills Have Been Offered.

CRAIG'S MESSAGE HEARD

Bill Introduced to Appropriate $1,000,000 to Double Confederate Veterans' Pensions.

(By W. J. MARTIN).

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 4.—Governor Craig's message with recommendations delivered by him in person today is the overshadowing feature of the Legislature thus far. At the same time the Senate and House are breaking records for early dispatch of business in rushing through bills for counties, cities and towns and private legislation, to get them enrolled before the constitutional amendments are effective January 10. There were morning, afternoon and night sessions today for this purpose and upwards of 300 bills are already in process of enactment into law.

Governor Craig made a splendid presentation of his message, stressing necessity for increasing salaries of Governor and other State officers before Governor Bickett is inaugurated; recommending that determined effort be made to give North Carolina shippers the lower freight rates to points in states to the South, to which they are, he says, entitled as compared with rates from Virginia cities, which now apply in spite of the hauls from Carolina points being much shorter, and the continuance of State convict labor on railroads in exchange for stock where undeveloped territory is to be opened.

(A synopsis of Governor Craig's address will be found on page three—News Editor).

The biggest general bill introduced came in the House from Representative Jackson, of Henderson, paying elaborate and lengthy tribute in a preamble to the old Confederates and providing for a State appropriation of one million dollars instead of the present $500,000 for Confederate pensions. It would just double the present pensions. He would have $1,000 instead of $500 property owned disqualify for drawing a pension.

Audit Back Taxes in Wilmington.

A bill introduced today by Representative Grant, of New Hanover, provides for a thorough audit of back taxes due in Wilmington and that the registered findings of the audit, when officially adopted by the commissioners, shall be prima facie evidence that those taxes are due, and none others. He says the purpose is to relieve title investigators in real estate transfers and to settle and collect the taxes found to be due.

State Purchasing Agency.

In the Senate today, Oates, of Cumberland, presented the first resolution, being one to appoint a committee of five to report at this session on the advisability of the creation and establishment of a central purchasing agency for supplies for the several State institutions and departments of State.

The only committee announced today was the Calendar committee of the Senate, with Burgwyn as chairman. The resolution passed its several readings in the Senate and was sent to the House. The creation of this committee and its investigation and report will constitute one of the most important acts of the session.

A bill introduced by Breece, of Cumberland, in the House today, abolishing a section of the private acts of 1915, chapter 38, was reported favorably. The act abolishes that section which authorized the Cumberland board of county commissioners to employ one of its members for his full time. It will come to the Senate, where its fate cannot be forecasted at this hour.

11 Children Lose Lives In Oklahoma

FOUR OTHERS PROBABLY FATALLY HURT AND SEVERAL INJURED WHEN TORNADO WRECKS SCHOOL HOUSE.

Muskogee, Okla., Jan. 4. — Eleven school children were killed, four probably fatally hurt, and several severely injured, when a tornado wrecked the Vireton rural school house, known as the Lee Baldwin school, near Blocker, Okla., today.

The school building, a Baptist Indian mission, a quarter of a mile away, and four farm houses are in ruins, and a half dozen other farm houses were lifted from their foundations by the storm, which swept a narrow path for a distance of six miles.

The storm struck first at Richville, seven miles southwest of Vireton, but did no further damage until within a quarter of a mile of the school building.

Tearing up the valley for nearly a mile, the storm then ripped the school building from its foundation and hurled the children down the hillside and across the ravine, some of them being picked up a hundred yards from the site of the building. Only two children of 28 in the building escaped uninjured.

LAWSON ABANDONS HIS TRIP ABROAD

Wires Speaker Clark He Will Be at Capital Monday to Testify as to Peace "Leak."

THERE "BEFORE BREAKFAST"

Earlier in the Day He Had Replied to a Telegraphed Subpoena, Saying That He Would Sail for Europe on Saturday.

Washington, Jan. 4. — Thomas W. Lawson telegraphed Speaker Clark tonight that he had cancelled plans for a trip to Europe and would be in Washington "before breakfast" Monday morning, to testify before the House Rules committee which today ordered public hearings on Representative Wood's charge that a leak gave Wall Street advance information about President Wilson's peace note.

Earlier, in response to a telegraphed subpoena, Mr. Lawson had notified the Speaker that he would be unable to appear because he was sailing for Europe Saturday, and when the second message came House leaders were considering whether there was authority to bring the Boston financier here by force. Democratic members of the committee were greatly exercised over the first telegram, which suggested that the investigation might be postponed until spring or summer. The speaker was inclined to the opinion that Congress were powerless to force Mr. Lawson's attendance, but before he had reached any decision the second message arrived. In accordance with a decision reached by unanimous vote of the Rules Committee today, the first public hearing on the charges will open tomorrow. Inasmuch as Representative Gardner, one of the chief witnesses expected to appear, is in Detroit and Mr. Lawson will not be here, it is probable that the committee will adjourn until Monday, after a brief session. Representative Wood, father of the resolution, is the only other witness that the committee plans to call at this time.

There was much speculation here tonight, as to the identity of a New York banker, who Mr. Lawson said in his first telegram, might give information about the leak, and was also leaving for Europe. There may be further communication with Mr. Lawson on this question.

FIRST WIRED THE SPEAKER THAT HE COULD NOT TESTIFY

New York, Jan. 4.—Thomas W. Lawson gave out here late today a copy of a telegram he said he had sent to Champ Clark, Speaker of the House, in which Mr. Lawson said he would be unable to appear before the House committee investigating the "leak" of the President's peace note because he would sail Saturday for Europe.

Mr. Lawson said in his message that if his testimony "should be needed" the committee might "kindly postpone the investigation until my return in the late spring or early summer."

Mr. Lawson added that he "noted" that "Wall Street's leading banker, whose testimony naturally would be the first essential to a real investigation, has also decided to sail for Europe on Saturday."

Referring to his recent visit to Washington at the request of the House committee on rules and his conference with Chairman Henry Mr. Lawson in his telegram said:

"I hereby release your chairman of the Rules committee from the privilege of secrecy mutually exchanged on Tuesday. He may give to Congress any or all the information he extracted from me, but of course, I shall not divulge any of the confidences imparted by him."

Mr. Lawson sent a telegram also to Vice-President Marshall as presiding officer of the Senate, attacking Senator Stone.

GERMAN U-BOAT OR RAIDER CAPTURED BY THE BRITISH?

Steamer Captain Tells of Seeing Interned Germans at Bermuda.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 4.—According to the report brought here today by the captain of a British merchantman, who touched at Bermuda, a German submarine or raider has probably been captured recently somewhere off the American coast by English warships and interned at St. Georges.

The captain in question declares that some days ago while in a Bermuda port, he and other officers of his ship saw 18 men, all dressed in the German navy uniform, under close guard, being marched through the streets en route to an internment camp. He is confident they had just been landed from a British warship.

The story wa vouched for in every detail by other officer of the ship and given to newspaper men on the distinct agreement that the name of the informant and his ship would not be used and it was explained that the captain would be subject to British court martial for giving out naval information.

Local shipping men who have heard repeated reports of a vague nature, relative to some naval fight on the South Atlantic, look upon this as confirmation that English patrol warships have captured a raider or U-boat.

UNIVERSITY OF S. CAROLINA FOOTBALL SCHEDULE FOR 1917

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 4.—The football scheule of the University of South Carolina, to which two games probably will be adde, was announced here tonight as follows:

October 6—Newberry at Columbia.
October 13—Tennessee at Columbia.
October 20—North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
October 25 or November 1—Clemson at Columbia.
November 10—Furman at Columbia.
November 29—Citadel at Columbia.

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OUTLINES PLANS FOR $150,000 MONUMENT

General Carr Announces Program of Campaign for Funds.

Dr. Elisha Mitchell Memorial to be Erected From Funds Contributed by Ten Groups and Institutions—Appropriations.

(Special Star Telegram).

Durham, N. C., Jan. 4.—Gen. Julian S. Carr, commissioned by Governor Craig to act as agent for the people of North Carolina to erect a monument in memory of Dr. Elisha Mitchell, has outlined plans of a campaign to raise $151,000. The memorial will be a replica of the Washington monument and will be erected on soil owned by the State.

The National Congress and the State Legislature will be appealed to for donations of $50,000 jointly. The bulk of $101,000 has been apportioned to the following groups and will be solicited in a systematic way:

University of North Carolina and 12 State colleges, $10,000.

Boys and girls of the State through public and private schools, $10,000; colored children, $1,000.

Alumni of Yale University, Dr. Mitchell's alma mater, $10,000.

Women of North Carolina, $10,000.

The American Association of Scientists, 10,000 in number, $10,000.

Churches of North Carolina and South Carolina and partic ularly the Presbyterian church, of which the scientist was an elder and minister, $10,000.

Western North Carolina, through its counties ,towns and public spirited citizens, $10,000.

Railways, hotels, visitors and tourists, $10,000.

Other patriotic and generous citizens, $20,000.

The letter of the General reads: "An unlimited supply of granite, already at hand on the summit of the mountain, will reduce the cost to half what it otherwise would be. Still the enterprise is gigantic and it will require at least $150,000, possibly more."

LEWIS IN STRONG ADDRESS DEFENDS PRESIDENT'S STEP

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from it a construction and thus indulge the construction by making accusations. But if all that be true, shall that defeat the purpose merely because there might arise a construction from conduct on the part of those who find it gratifying to themselves to indulge it?"

Lodge Completes Argument.

Senator Lodge, completing his argument against the Hitchcock resolution declared its adoption would be a leap in the dark and precipitate Congress into the midst of incepted negotiations concerning which it knew nothing.

"It is apparent to every one," he said, "that when we abandon our traditional policy of separation from European politics we take a very great step which should not be taken without most thorough knowledge of what is intended and of the distance which we are invited to go.

"If the President has the terms proposed by the Central Powers it is entirely in his discretion to deal with them, but if we are to endorse anything he is doing, then before action is taken we should know the grounds on which we are acting. When our co-operation is asked we are entitled to the same information the President has.

"There is nothing in Germany's reply or the Allies' reply to justify the Senate or Congress in embarking on the perilous seas of negotiations concerning European powers and terms of peace which concern the powers alone."

WORKS ASSAILS PRESIDENT IN HIS VALEDICTORY SPEECH

Washington, Jan. 4.—With an arraignment of President Wilson's administration and of what he called decadence in American society and government, Senator Works, of California, who retires March 4, began a valedictory speech today in the Senate.

He deplored a "tendency toward centralized, unchecked and unlimited" power on the part of the President, denounced profligacy of wealth, recommended that the idle rich be compelled by law to work, and urged formation of a new progressive political party known as the "Liberty party."

A recess for the night interrupted the speech after two hours, and the senator will conclude tomorrow.

Senator Works reviewed the Wilson administration in great detail. In urging repeal of the Panama tolls clause, he said the President had "descended to the level of a common lobbyist," and the submission of Congress he described as a "humiliating spectacle."

Efforts to force through the shipping bill, he said, were "shameful," adding that the reserve act was passed by "presidential dictation and caucus rule," and the child labor bill by "humiliating lobbying for political reasons, the President being a political candidate."

The President's insistence on passage of the Adamson act, Senator Works declared, was "deplorable," while the recent confirmation of a supreme court justice furnished a "shocking example of unwarranted influence."

"The course of the President in Mexico," he continued, "has been one of arrogant and arbitrary, if not unlawful, exercise of power."

The senator also said that the United States had twice gone to war with Mexico without the sanction of Congress.

Advocating a single presidential term, Senator Works said the idea of a President being a leader of a political party was obnoxious, and attacked President Wilson for alleged repudiation of the single term plank of the Baltimore platform. He said the present patronage system was "degrading, deplorable and dangerous." Lavish use of campaign funds and "pork barrel" legislation also were scored by the California senator. He said there had been an increase of the militaristic spirit because the public had been shrewdly perverted, largely by those having selfish interests.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Francis P. Owings, once known as the "sky scraper king," was declared insane today and was ordered sent to the hospital for the insane at Kankakee. Brooding over business reverses, his friends said, had unbalanced his mind. Owings built the first sky scraper in Chicago.

SPORTS

OLIN AND HASSEN TONIGHT

Finn and Turk Will Struggle for the World's Title at Woolvin Hall, Biggest Event of Season.

At 8:30 o'clock tonight in Woolvin Hall, two men will crawl through the ropes to battle for the supreme crown among the world's wrestlers. The one is John Olin, holder of the title, a giant Finn, the hero of the Stockholm Olympic games, and the conqueror of Joe Stecher. The other is Yussouf Hassen, a wily and crafty Turk, with years of ring history behind him.

The match will be to a finish, or until one of the contestants has his shoulders pinned to the canvas for the second time. Gunner McGurley, of Fort Caswell, will referee and the preliminaries will be dispensed with. This is the first time in the history of the mat game in Wilmington that a world's championship bout has been staged in the city, and the promoters confidently expect one of the largest gatherings of the season to witness the bout.

Both wrestlers are expected to arrive this morning and both will be in tip top shape for the struggle. The champion will enter the ring weighing in the neighborhood of 205 pounds, while his antagonist will have some 20 pounds more. The Mohammedan champion is firm in his belief that when the final fall is staged tonight he will rise from the mat the champion of the world. Olin will wear the title when they enter the ring, and he has no intention of leaving it behind him when he steps out.

It is probable that Hjalmer Lundin, Olin's trainer, and champion of Scandinavia, will be present at the match. Should this be the case, Promoter Hanson will endeavor to arrange a meeting between the Scandinavian and Tommy Draak, the Dutchman, for a bout here at an early date.

Fritz returned yesterday morning from Columbia, where on Wednesday night he defeated Barney Bernhardt, reputed champion of England, with ridiculous ease. The local matman downed the representative of John Bull twice in ten minutes, the second fall lasting but 55 seconds.

When shown the challenges from Bob Diry and Jim Poulious, which were received at the office of The Star during his absence, Hanson stated that he would be pleased to meet either or both of them in the early future, and would proceed to get in touch with them.

He said, however, that he could not meet them within the next few weeks, as he has booked a number of engagements during this time. He meets Pink Gardner, of Charlotte, at Columbia on Monday night, while he will tackle Joe Nasser in Spartanburg on Tuesday. For Wednesday he has arranged to try conclusions with Con Albright at Greenville.

Fritz is also dickering with an Asheville promoter to meet one of the mountain city's cracks, on the 11th, and has received an offer to journey to Troy, Ala., at his earliest convenience to match wares with a Japanese grappler named Matty Matsuda. Altogether it looks like a pretty busy time ahead of the blond marvel for the next few weeks.

DRAFTS ARE SUBMITTED FOR CODE OF NEW RACING LAWS

Columbus, O., Jan. 4.—Rough drafts of a code of racing laws for tracks affiliated with both the National and American Trotting Association were accepted tonight by the joint rules committee of the two governing organizations. One of the principal new provisos is that the rules shall be mandatory and not subject to alteration by officials of an individual racing concern. Secretaries Knight and Gocher have been commissioned to put the code into shape and hurry its distribution.

Hereafter it will not be possible for any three-in-five to terminate with the fifth heat, in case of a split-up. The race must go on until one horse gets three heats. Time allowances are not so liberal as heretofore. Weight making by drivers is a thing of the past and only winners of races will be charged with records. An effort to mark heat winners failed of adoption.

FAYETTEVILLE TO HAVE AN IMPORTANT NEW INDUSTRY

Roller Mill to be Established Right Away, it is Announced.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Fayetteville, N. C., Jan. 4.—Another valuable industry is to be established in Fayetteville, according to an announcement by W. C. Ewing and R. W. Christian, who will shortly begin the erection here of a rolling mill which is to have a capacity of 50 barrels of flour a day. A grist mill will be operated also, both being housed in a brick mill building, work on which will start at once. It will be situated just east of the Cape Fear river bridge. Messrs. Christian and Ewing yesterday applied to the Secretary of State for a charter. The firm will be incorporated as the Christian-Ewing Company and in addition to the operation of the flour and grist mills will run a big cotton ginnery and do a general mercantile business. The company has purchased the mercantile business formerly owned by Mr. Ewing, situated at the east end of the Clarendon bridge, as well as the latter's cotton ginnery, which will be enlarged. A brick store building will be erected. The company will have an authorized capital of $50,000, with $15,000 paid in. Mr. Christian is an up-to-date farmer who came here from the North. Mr. Ewing is a hustling young business man who moved to Cumberland county from South Carolina.

The establishment of another rolling mill in Fayetteville is considered an encouraging indication of the increasing tendency of the farmers of this section of the State to heed the campaign for growing more wheat. The acreage planted this year was greatly increased over that of last season, when planters from all over this section of the State and many from South Carolina brought their wheat here to be ground in Mayor J. D. McNeill's mill, which is one of the oldest industries in Fayetteville.

Washington, Jan. 4.—A proposed rule to compel immediate consideration of the Adamson resolution to continue the Newlands Railway committee for one year from next Monday, favorably reported today, was defeated in the House, 167 to 145.

"TANLAC AIDED MY SISTER IN GEORGIA AND I GOT SOME"

Says Wilmington Lady in Telling of the Wonderful Relief She Has Enjoyed Since Starting on the Master Medicine.

In an interesting statement regarding the benefits she had derived from Tanlac, the Master Medicine, which has set a new record in Wilmington and North Carolina, Mrs. J. P. Ittner, of 110 South Seventeenth street, this city, said:

"I had suffered from rheumatism and a weak, rundown condition. Pains started in the back of my neck and extended down in my shoulder. Then my hand, which became so swollen that I could hardly open or shut it, would also be attacked, as well as my arm. I was weak and had no appetite at all. I didn't sleep well because of the rheumatic pains, as they seemed worse when lying down. My left side became numb, and I was uneasy about myself and wondered if I was going to be paralyzed.

"My sister in Georgia had been helped by Tanlac, and I got it. It surely gave me a splendid appetite—I can eat with a relish now. I feel a great deal stronger. Those pains have entirely disappeared; that numbness is gone and I feel so much relieved and in better shape than for years."

In this connection, Edward Hales Drum, the famous Tanlac Man, said: "Such statements as the foregoing should appeal directly to the thousands of those who suffer from troubles similar to those of Mrs. Ittner's.

"Most of such people suffer from nervousness, rheumatism, dizziness, headaches, stomach and liver trouble, backache, kidney derangements, depression of spirits, imperfect digestion, sleeplessness, or are susceptible to coughs and colds.

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PAPER TRUST MAY EXSIT, IS BELIEF

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to effect a monopoly. At the same time, it was made clear that no injustice would be done manufacturers not guilty of illegal practices.

In addition, department officials are acknowledged to be preparing to ask for criminal indictments, should analysis of the evidence warrant such action, and it is believed the criminal proceedings, if undertaken, would be pressed ahead of the civil proceedings. Where such proceedings might be conducted is said to be under consideration.

Officials say they are handicapped by the fact that more than half of the print paper consumed in the United States is produced in Canada by manufacturers who would be outside the jurisdiction of American courts in any proceedings that might be deemed advisable. This condition, however, would not apply to American agents of such manufacturers.

The Trade Commission's investigation was conducted in response to a congressional resolution and a report to Congress will be made within a few days. Publishers charged at the open hearings that the manufacturers had combined both to control prices and to restrict production. Some testified that manufacturers had refused to sell them because of their activity in exposing the manufacturers' methods. Others declared they had been threatened with such refusal by manufacturers.

Tar Heel Publishers Complain.

North Carolina publishers recently filed with the Department of Justice a complaint charging that manufacturers had refused to sell to a buying organization publishers had formed, although manufacturers previously had advised organizations to eliminate the jobber. Other organizations of publishers filed with the Trade Commission letters and telegrams to support their allegations of an illegal combination.

Paper manufacturers terminated the final Trade Commission hearing suddenly a little more than a week ago when they refused to discuss figures gathered by the commission hearing on costs and profits. They explained the yhad not had time to study the statistics and probably would not have for several months.

The commission still has under consideration a plan proposed by manufacturers for distribution of the available paper stock under supervision of the commission.

Tulsa, Okla., Jan. 4.—The Texas Company this afternoon posted an advance of 25 cents for Cushing crude oil. The new price is now $1.75 per barrel.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by Gussie Greer to H. W. Konig, dated the 12th day of December, 1912, and duly recorded in the records of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover county, in Book No. 70, page 422, the undersigned will offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the door of the Court House of New Hanover County, in the city of Wilmington, on the 23rd day of January, 1917, at 12 o'clock M., the following described real property, to wit:

Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Seventh street, sixty-six feet southwardly from the southeast intersection of Howard and Seventh streets, and runs thence southwardly along the eastern line of Seventh street thirty feet, thence eastwardly and parallel with Howard street one hundred and fifty feet, to the western line of MacRae street, thence along the western line of McRae street northwardly thirty feet, thence westwardly and parallel with Howard street one hundred and fifty feet to the beginning, the same being parts of Lots One, Two and Three, in Block No. 350, according to the official plan of the said city of Wilmington, North Carolina.

This 22nd day of December, 1916.

H. W. KONIG,
Mortgagee.

W. F. Jones, Attorney.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD COMPANY.

Office of the Treasurer,
Wilmington, N. C., December 30, 1916.

The Board of Directors of Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company has declared a dividend of three and one-half per cent. on the Common Capital Stock of that Company, payable at the office of the Treasurer, Wilmington, N. C., on and after January 10th, 1917, to such stockholders as shall be registered on the books of the Company on December 19th, 1916, at three o'clock P. M.

JAMES F. POST,
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We wish to announce we have recently bought the right to sell SERV-US merchandise in North and South Carolina.

SERV-US goods can be had in anything that you carry in the grocery line. We have purchased quite a quantity of several different items in this line, and will have them ready for the market on about Feb. 1st. The quality is positively the best; each package carries a valuable coupon.

We are preparing circulars, and will be glad to furnish you a supply for distribution among your customers.

Ask our salesmen for other information.

We wish to thank you for the business with which you have kindly favored us during 1916, and to express our wishes that the coming year will be a very prosperous one for you.

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CRAIG URGES MORE PAY FOR GOVERNER

Says Salary of State's Chief Executive Should Equal That of United States Senators.

DELIVERS HIS MESSAGE

Reviews Cuban Bond Question and Condition of State—Deprecates Holding Lands Idle—Urges Aid for Convicts' Dependents.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 4.—Prefaced by the declaration, "the days of my administration are accomplished," Governor Locke Craig delivered in person today in Representatives Hall his final message to the Legislature, which organized for business yesterday. He referred feelingly to his four years of service and effort for the best interest of all people and to the co-operation he has received from State officers and clerks, and reflected with pride on the fact that the seal of approval has been put on his administration by the great Democratic majorities last election.

"In my opinion," said he, "the salaries of State officers should be increased." This must be done at once, he pointed out, if effective for the incoming administration. The Governor cannot live in the mansion and do all the things expected of him on the present salary. The people would approve the same salary that United States senators receive—7.500. Other State officers should have their salaries increased in proportion. He said officers and clerks other than members of the State council can have their salaries increased later in the session.

Cuban Bond Suit.

He told of the situation as to the suit Cuba is instituting for the collection of the repudiated Reconstruction bonds and of his refusal to consider any proposals of compromise or treat in any way with Cuban representatives other than through the hearings before the United States Supreme Court. "If North Carolina honestly owed the bonds she would pay them," he said, and would never have questioned their validity. Able counsel has been employed and the case will be fought out.

Condition of the State.

"The condition of the State" was the subject of lengthy and gratified comment. It was never so good. The people are prosperous and the government, State and National, of the best. More progress has been made the past sixteen years than in all past history, he said.

Agriculture, manufactures, commerce and rural conditions were reviewed optimistically. The State ranks among the first in agriculture; manufacturing is prospering as never before, value of products the past year being a hundred million dollars, and the comforts of life are spreading in the rural districts with prosperous conditions.

Deprecates Idle Acres.

The Governor regrets that great areas of lands are being held for the accumulation of unearned profits and not bearing their share of tax burdens and represent discrimination against those lands that are improved and have taxation increased. He urged that if there be any discrimination that it be in favor of the man who improves his property. Every farmer in the State should determine to own his farm. The money monopoly is destroyed and farm loan banks provide loans on long easy terms.

Good Roads Progress.

Good roads progress was reviewed. The Central Highway, the Charlotte-Asheville highway, and the other great main thoroughfares were reviewed. There should be increased tax on automobiles to help defray the expense of building and maintaining roads. The work and importance of the State Highway Commission was reviewed as intelligently directing future road construction. Railroads should be required to eliminate grade crossings. There must be co-operation with the Federal aid fund for highway building.

Convicts on Railroads.

The policy of the State in encouraging railroad construction by taking stock for convict labor furnished was commended and he declared that there is mutual benefit for the whole people of the State through assuring to the State the benefit of the immense resources that will be developed in these mountain counties.

Achievements in freight rate reductions the past four years were reviewed representing at least two million dollars saving to shippers. There must be determined effort made to get for North Carolina shippers a proportionately lower schedule of rates from North Carolina points to states to the South instead of the present application of the same charges that apply to freight originating in Virginia cities.

The State is just emerging into her strenth, declared the Governor, thanks to the energy, faith and genius of her people, and the future is unfolding sublime revelations.

The people of the State will willingly pay taxes for the education of the young. The most liberal support and development of the educational institutions was insisted upon. There must be the best as well as the boasted cheapest universities and normal schools in the world. State institutions were specifically mentioned with appeals for their adequate support.

Aid for Convicts' Families.

The State's prison with its $350,000 profits the past four years received special treatment and the action of the board of directors in distributing $10 each to the dependent families of convicts reported, with a recommendation that the General Assembly provide for some regular return to the dependent families from the earnings of the convicts in the service of the State. He would not "coddle" criminals. They must be punished, but the innocents should not be made to suffer for the sins of the guilty.

As to pardons, the Governor condemned practice that has developed in courts of imposing sentences that are intended to be stayed through conditional pardons. Seventeen men had been electrocuted during his four years of office.

The work of Western Carolina flood relief was reviewed, appeal made for effective forest preservation work and the saving of Mount Mitchell commended.

East Carolina Fisheries.

As to Eastern Carolina fisheries, the wasteful exploitation of these resources is being stopped effectively by the new fish commission control. The work of the commission he considered most satisfactory.

The record of the North Carolina National Guard was commended and insistence made that there must be provision for assuring to these men their franchise in elections hereafter when they are out of the State in service.

Peace and prosperity and tremendous progress for this country were the theme for eloquent conclusion of the message.

DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at noon.

Interstate Commerce Committee continued hearings on railroad legislation.

Again debated and deferred action on Hitchcock resolution endorsing President Wilson's peace note.

Senator Works of California, began valedictory address.

Recessed at 4:31 p. m. to noon Friday.

HOUSE

Met at noon.

Secretary Baker and General Crozier testified before Military Affairs committee on the Army bill.

Passed bill temporarily to increase water diversion for power purposes at Niagara Falls.

Voted down proposed special rule for consideration of resolution extending existence of Newlands railroad committee.

Took up Agricultural Appropriation bill.

Adjourned at 5:40 p. m. to 11 a. m. Friday.

GRAIN EXPORT BUSINESS OF 8,000,000 BUSHELS YESTERDAY

Wide Price Break Attributed as Cause for Heavy Buying Movement.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Export business in grain today was said tonight by some authorities to have surpassed in volume any previous record since the beginning of the European war. The aggregate was estimated at about 8,000,000 bushels, an amount due in large part to a sudden price break that widened for a brief time to 6¼c a bushel in the value of wheat as compared with yesterday's finish.

Announcements from Washington that President Wilson had in view a new effort to end hostilities seemed to be the chief reason for the sharpest descent of prices. Buyers for trans-Atlantic interests, however, were quick to take advantage of the fall in values and rallies consequent on export purchases soon offset the greater portion of the losses which quotations temporarily showed.

From the bottom price of the session, $1.80½, May wheat, the chief speculative option, rose to $1.84 to $1.84¼ at the last and wound up relatively strong with all but 2⅝ of the transcent 6⅛c break overcome.

The eight million bushels estimate of export takings included not only wheat but 5,000,000 of oats and much of corn.

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE OF UNIVERSITY SUMMER SCHOOL

To be Held This Year From June 12 to July 27.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Jan. 4.—The University of North Carolina Summer School has just issued the preliminary announcement for the 30th session of the school, June 12 to July 27, 1917. The summer school is planned for a larger enrollment than ever before. The total attendance, exclusive of the law school, last year was 1,052, which was 321 more than the year preceding, or nerly 44 per cent. The attendance has increased from 26 in 1907 to the mark of last year. Since 1907, when the summer school was revived, 3,831 students have attended it.

The preliminary announcement carries some interesting facts concerning the history of the University summer school. The old "Summer Normal" was a pioneer in the summer school field, being established by Dr. Kemp P. Battle in 1877. It seems to have been the first in America. After running eight years, it was suspended in 1884 The summer school was revived in 1894 and ran for 11 years, when it was again suspended. The final revival was in 1907.

KINSTON CITY COUNCILMEN WOULD CUT OUT SALARIES

Not Somebody Else's But Their Own. Reduce Others.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Kinston, N. C., Jan. 4.—The Kinston city councilmen would do away with their salaries, and will meet shortly to take the matter up with the municipal attorney to learn what legal steps will be necessary. They would also cut the mayor's annual stipend about 40 per cent, reducing his income from $1,000 to $600, and possibly add several hundred dollars to the recorder's salary. Aldermen, who are required to meet only once in two or three weeks, now get $100 per annum. It is proposed to save the city about a thousand dollars a year by salary reductions.

NO STATE TROOPS WILL TAKE PART IN THE INAUGURATION

Not Many in State and Cost of Transportation Too Great.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 4.—No state troops will participate in the inauguration of Governor Bickett January 11, on account of the cost of transporting them here being considered too great by the Council of State and only a limited number in the State anyway. The A. & M. College band and cadets will serve as guard of honor for the inaugural ceremonies.

TO COMMAND ATLANTIC FLEET.

Rear Admiral Knight Designated to Succeed Admiral Winderhalter.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Rear Admiral Knight, head of the naval war college, was designated by President Wilson today to command the Atlantic fleet, with rank of admiral. He succeeds Admiral Winderhalter who has completed his tour of duty and is assigned to duty with the general board. Capt. W. S. Sims, recently in command of the dreadnaught Nevada, will become president of the war college. It is understood he is one of six captains recommended for promotion to rear admiral by the new selection board.

THEATRICAL

In the elaborate quarter million screen production of "Romeo and Juliet" in which Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne portray the roles of the immortal lovers, these two famous stars are supported by the most notable cast ever assembled for a motion picture. There are scores of prominent artists of both stage and screen, and the long roster includes a Booth, a Sothern, a Mantell, a Kemble and a Davenport, names that represent the greatest histrionic families of this and a past generation. More than 600 persons were used in the production and no expense spared to make it the most notable offering that lovers of the silent drama have yet seen.

Mr. Bushman and Miss Bayne bring to the production youth and romance, the assets that have made them beloved wherever motion pictures have been presented throughout the world. The combination of their fresher talents with the older players, who have been reared on Shakespeare, should prove one of the most interesting phases of this beautiful and artistic spectacle.

A Scene From "A Little Girl in a Big City," Academy of Music Tomorrow, Matinee and Night.

Miss Bayne is an ideal "Juliet". She has youth and beauty and her supreme artistry in difficult dramatic roles has made her one of the foremost of all screen artistes. For this production Miss Bayne diligently studied the part of "Juliet" for more than a year. Her very heart and soul is in the part, as is strikingly evidenced in her work on the screen.

"Romeo and Juliet" will be presented next Monday, one day only, at the Victoria.

"Shielding Shadow"—Bijou.

Today the Bijou presents the 13th great chapter of that Wonder serial, "The Shielding Shadow," and those who saw the 12th will know what to expect when we tell them that it takes up events right where they left off last week and continues in equally as thrilling a manner as the 12th chapter all the way through. There are some of the biggest events of the whole serial in this chapter, and as there are only two more weeks after today, everyone will want to see the last three whole chapters.

A chapter containing another startling turn in the tide of events is the 13th. Sebastian who has secured the vanishing mantle from Ravengar, keeps the latter a prisoner and with his acquired invisibility becomes a hidden menace and much feared by everyone. The title, by the way is "The Hidden Menace."

This episode contains a spectacular fall from a high bridge and Ravengar's heroic rescue of Leontine from her laboratory which has been set on fire by Sebastian.

"The Feathered Nest," is a mammoth two-reel Triangle Keystone comedy, starring inimitable Charles Murray with Louise Fazenda in the two leading roles, that is also on today's rousing bill at the Bijou.

"The Haunted Hotel"—Royal.

"The Haunted Hotel" is the title of the rip-roaring farce comedy with music which will be presented by the Hello Southland Revue Company today and tomorrow at the Royal. It is a comedy replete with big comedy elements which develop naturally and do not depend entirely upon facial contortions of the principals to carry it over. There is the usual good work by the different members of this all-star aggregation and there is some exceptional work in the leading roles by May Lawson, Francis Evanson, Billy Boyd and Jack Miller, also Harry Evanson in the role of Hans Schultz, a leading comedy role.

A great feature of today's bill is the big musical hits of the season which are to be presented by the members of the chorus. "Honky Tonky Town" by Jack Miller and the chorus will be one of the gayest of all the musical hits of the week, with some nifty costumes by the members of the chorus. The Evansons will put on a brand new comedy skit that is sure to brig the laughs to the most hardened fact, the "Broadway Blues" by Thelma Fraley, "The Girl With the Blues," will be another of the big numbers. The Boyds will present a great new specialty and Ethel Bruce will simply bring down the house with "Walkin' the Dog," assisted by the chorus.

"September Morn."

"September Morn"—LeComte and Flesher's tangoized musical comedy sensation, the most brilliant offering of the season, is scheduled for an engagement at the Academy of Music, matinee and night, Saturday, January 13, with Wm. Moore, Maud K. Williams, Valere True, James Baber, Ruth Wilkins, J. J. Patton, Billy Murphy and forty-three helpers. The big beauty chorus is composed of the most attractive lot of girls that were ever gathered together in one company.

The production from a scenic and costuming standpoint is gorgeous. The dancing numbers embrace various styles of the famous modern dances which offer spicy moments of amusement and good wholesome entertainment. Many of these are new dance ensembles introduced for the first time in this country. It is bubbling over with song hits, including "Oh, You September Morn!" the greatest ragtime hit in years.

"A Little Girl in a Big City."

It seems as if all the hidden powers of evil combine to drag a country girl down into the very depths when she goes to New York in search of a position. Men of wealth, employers of labor and veritable pillars of the church, all seem to struggle to capture the unfortunate girl and keep her in their power. In James Kyrle McCurdy's play, "A Little Girl In A Big City," which will be presented at the Academy of Music, Saturday, January 6, will be shown all the sordidness of life in a great metropolis, but right as ever triumphs in the play, and the spectator is made to feel that an all-wise Providence watches over the innocent after all. No children under the age of sixteen will be admitted.

The matinee prices will be 25 cents for balcony seats and 50 cents for seats on the lower floor. The night prices will range from 50 cents to $1. Tickets are now on sale at Elvington's Front street store.

Mae Marsh-Robt. Harron—Grand.

Those two fascinating and forceful "Birth of a Nation" stars, Mae Marsh and Robert Harron, provide Grand patrons with what is indeed a rare treat today, presenting a mamnoth Griffith-Fine Arts Triangle production, "The Marriage of Molly-O," a stirring tale of Irish life, with some of the most beautiful and quaint backgrounds ever utilized for a motion picture production.

Mae Marsh, the diminutive little star of Griffithville, does some of the most fascinating acting of her career in this picture, presenting with all her quaint mannerisms, a role exactly suited to her winsomeness and charming personality. She has probably never been seen in a role that fitted her more completely nor better than her role as "Molly" in "The Marriage of Molly-O" and there is something about her work that instinctively makes everyone just love her.

Robert Harron, the young giant blacksmith in "The Birth of a Nation," is provided with a role of forceful dramatic acting in this Triangle feature, and under the direction of that wizard of screen craft, David Wark Griffith, a great production indeed is the result, with Grand patrons will enjoy today.

Mae Marsh In "The Marriage of Molly-O," Latest Triangle Play.

With Robert Harron in Today's Triangle Feature at the Grand.

BEVERLY BAYNE

Who Plays "Juliet" to Francis X. Bush man's "Romeo" in the Massive Eight-Reel Adaptation of Shakespeare's G reat Play at the Victoria Next Monday.

DEATH AT MOUNT OLIVE

Mrs. Ella Brock Passes Away—Burial in Duplin County.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Mount Olive, N. C., Jan. 4.—Mrs. Ella Brock, wife of the late Ira T. Brock, about 47 years of age, died at her home here Wednesday night about 6 o'clock, following an extended period of ill health, due to a complication of ailments. Six children—Mrs. Albert Turner, Mr. Frank Brock, of the Duplin Record's mechanical department, Phineas Brock, who lived with his mother, three smaller children and a number of other relatives in her old home community, in Duplin county, survive her. Remains were taken to the family burying ground, near Bear Marsh church, in Duplin county, this afternoon for interment.

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

Life, with its multitudinous lights and shadows, its clear revelations and its impenetrable perplexities, its boundless gifts that but seem to emphasize its no less boundless denials, is a mystery which itself can not unravel. Its logical human explanation lies in the belief that it is the function of some Power over and beyond itself which gives, takes and directs, and that the element of mystery is a part of the designed purpose. —E. V. GOETFIT.

It's your move.

It's a waste of time to try to get something for nothing.

Why should one be astonished or even amazed? Hath it not been said that wonders never cease?

"Missed a treat," says the Atlanta Constitution. We have gotten used to missing it in North Carolina.

Religion may get into politics in this country, but even then politics won't have much religion in it.

We are perfectly willing to admit that Wilson knows more about the peace movement today than we do.

When a man sells something he believes in high prices, but when he buys, the price cannot be too low for him.

Uncle Sam has started the new year with a new half dollar silved coin that is said to be much more artistic than the old ones.

Government conducted in secret is bad government and the secret conclave is either conducted by tyrants, knaves, cowards, or incompetents.

It is said that "the Czar of Russia employs 30,000 servants." He may have that many, but the probability is that most of them are unemployed.

Some of them splutter around in the limelight only to get exposed after getting on the front page in a sort of meteoric fashion. Then it's good night.

Says the Columbia State: "Few counties are known outside of their own state." Inside their own state few are known except by name. Most counties don't even know much about themselves.

Why should the Proressives want to run the Republican party, since the G. O. P. has only one principle to which the Progressives can subscribe, while the Progressives have sprung a dozen which no dyed-in-the-wool Republican will swallow?

The adoption of the constitutional amendments does not mean less work for the present Legisature, though it may mean that for future sessions. The members of the present Legislature have ample opportunity to earn their salary.

Colonel Roosevelt calls the supporters of the League to Enforce Peace a lot of dupes, but maybe he included everybody so former President Taft cannot regard his remark as personal. Mr. Taft is the live president of the League, and maybe he doesn't know whose dupe he is.

The suspicion about that peace leak is perfectly natural—only that people mistake the working of phychology for a "leak." For at least six months speculators have been scenting and sensing peace in the air, and Germany's proposal and President Wilson's note are only what might have been expected by men who watch the signs of the times.

A city clinic would not be a bad idea for most cities. According to a Western city's plan, a city clinic is a consultation of the citizens of a city in order to find out what ails their city. Having diagnosed the case, they go to work and apply a remedy for whatever is the matter. Sometimes a city suffers on account of those who do more for themselves than they do for it.

DON'T KNOW THE SOIL ADAPTABILITIES.

The Cleveland Star, published at Shelby, makes editorial reference to a matter that possibly applies to the people in nearly every one of the hundred counties in the State. However, here it is as the Cleveland county paper says it:

"After making the soil survey of Cleveland, Mr. Vannatta declared that Cleveland is well adapted to the growth of grasses and the consequent raising of cattle. Of course, cotton is the best suited to our soil, but he was surprised to find that the soil makes this one of the best grass sections in North Carolina. Right along this line the farmers are learning and in the course of a few years Cleveland will have built a reputation for the raising of cattle, hay crops, etc. The soil survey will be of great value to the farmers in scientific agriculture."

Mr. Vannatta is a government expert and he determined by soil examination and analysis the quality of lands in Cleveland county. He was surprised to learn as an expert that Cleveland's lands were adaptable to the production of other crops than cotton. Of course, it might be a matter of surprise to him, but was it a surprise to the farmers of that fine old piedmont county in Western North Carolina? Have they not experimented themselves and demonstrated the versatility of their own lands?

The probability is that they have not and it is possible that they really do not know that they can grow crops that are just as profitable as cotton. Perhaps the people in most of the hundred counties in the State do not know the producing adaptabilities of their lands.

Farmers ought to know from experience that their lands will grow grass and other forage crops, since the land all over North Carolina insists on growing grass while the farmers are doing their best to kill it out so they can make their lands grow cotton or tobacco. Sometimes the grass actually gets the best of it, and yet they have failed to take a hint from the grass.

Any land that will grow corn, tobacco, cotton and crabgrass is adaptable to at least a dozen forage crops. At "The Maples" near Wilmington, Capt. E. D. Williams has demonstrated that New Hanover county land will produce 34 forage crops at a profit. He doesn't waste his time with cotton or tobacco, for there is more in the diversified farming that he has demonstrated to his own satisfaction. His forage exhibit was taken north by the Atlantic Coast Line's exhibit car last fall and it was shown in probably a dozen Northern and Central Western states.

We don't know what our lands can do till we try, and we won't know what other crops they will produce until we learn that there are other crops than cotton, tobacco or peanuts. A Northerner who recently came to New Hanover county bought a place matted all over with wiregrass. He wanted to grow grass that was valuable but his neighbors said "it can't be done." He was from Missouri. He showed them.

The Northerner plowed up the cane grass, killed it out with a heavy crop of peas and corn, and demonstrated to his neighbors that if the sunshine is kept away from cane grass it will soon be as dead as the old straw from a broom. He is now growing fine grass on his land and his cover crops have so completely dominated the land that cane grass no longer has the least showing.

Knowing how and doing it is all we need in this country to demonstrate the fact that there are better money crops than either cotton or tobacco, even at 20 cents the pound for each. We know a Brunswick county farmer who says he cannot afford to grow cotton when he can diversify his crops and net as much as $325 an acre—the thing that he actually did the last season.

We have to get away from the one-crop idea in this country. We need not abandon a single money crop that we now grow, but we should not overlook the fact that there are other money crops that are just as good and even better, when all the economics are taken into consideration.

Until we know what the land will do for the man, how can the man know what he can do with the land?

EARLY SEASON FOR "SNEAK" BILLS

Experienced legislators and close observers of previous sessions of the General Assembly have recognized the danger that is always inherent in the closing days of the session because of the rush and hurry and the great mass of work to be done in short time, including the hurried passage of hundreds of local and private bills as well as consideration of numbers of the most important measures before the law making body. This year the rush of local and private legislation comes at the beginning of the session instead of the latter end, because of the adoption of the constitutional amendments, and the danger that heretofore has been seen in the latter days of a legislative session naturally is shifted to the early days of the session.

Of course, it is presumed that little or no legislation of a general nature will be undertaken during the first seven days of the session, the time being devoted to the passage of the local and private bills before time is called on them by the amendments. However, these local bills should be scrutinized. At every session of the Legislature there are some unscrupulous persons who manage either to occupy seats in the legislative chambers or to hang around and exert influence. The "rush days" of the General Assembly have always been recognised as the opportunity for those who would secure the enactment into law of "sneak bills."

Bills have been introduced as local measures which were found later to be of considerably more than local application. For instance, in the 1913 regular session a bill was introduced as a "local" bill, its "author" stating that it applied only to his county. The members of the House took the word of the representative of the county for it, passed the bill and sent it on to the Senate. There it was referred to a committee, which found that the purpose and effect of the bill was to transfer a county from one congressional district to another, the ultimate effect of which would have been to put one more Republican in Congress from North Carolina and reduce the State's Democratic representation. The bill never passed the Senate, of course. It was recalled by the House, which rescinded its action and severely reprimanded the member introducing it and betraying the courtesy of the House and taking advantage of its confidence.

This case only goes to show the importance of and the necessity for caution in the handling of even the "little bills" that are now pouring into the legislative hopper. Right now is a time for extreme care on the part of the Legislature and careful scrutiny of the bills offered.

REPRESENTATIVE GRANT'S BILL

Knowing the school of Democracy in which he has been brought up, we are not surprised that Representative Clayton Grant has hesitated before introducing in the Legislature a bill providing the commission form of government for the city of Wilmington carrying with it the arbitrary features of legislative appointment and non-submission to the people as were indicated as his purpose in his earlier interviews with the press and to which there has developed such general objection in the absence of any emergency or threat of violence to the public good.

Certainly there can be no objection to the status quo of the present city government until the regular city election in May when the terms of a majority of the present city councilmen will expire, we believe, and at the end of which time the people will themselves have an opportunity of expressing their wishes at the polls.

The form of government proposed by Mr. Grant, in general outline, is too desirable to be jeopardized in its successful operation by hasty and ill-considered action at the outset, and even if Mr Grant's bill for any reason should fail at this time, it should be remembered that the people themselves would still have three forms of government, one of which is identical with that proposed by Mr. Grant, from which they might choose at any time, as will be provided in the general law applying to all towns and cities in the State, to be passed at this session in anticipation of the new constitutional amendments.

Mr. Grant, we believe, is acting wisely in not plunging too deeply into ill-considered action in his laudable effort to do a splendid public service in his native city.

CLINTON PAPER CHANGES HANDS.

With the current issue, Mr. Theodore Partrick, Jr., announces that he has sold the Sampson Democrat, an old and splendid weekly paper published at Clinton, to Messrs. L. L. Matthews and T. H. Partrick, who make their bow to the public in the same issue and announce that they have "resolved to make no radical changes in the general policy of the paper." Mr. Matthews, who is Sampson county's progressive and efficient superintendent of schools, is to be editor of the paper and Mr. Partrick assumes the duties of business manager.

In addition to giving the people of Sampson county a live newspaper, furnishing the "essential news from week to week as it is related to the various phases of community life," the new owners "hope to make the Democrat an active agency for the promotion of school activity," believing that the county superintendent "can in no better way render a service to the county than in directing a means for the expression of the school life of the county through the county newspaper." It is pointed out that the new owners are both native Sampsonians and thoroughly conversant with the life and needs of the county, as well as thoroughly alive to its possibilities.

The retiring editor has made an excellent county paper of the Democrat and the county is to be congratulated upon the prospect that it is to be made even better still.

MAYBE GALLINGER KNOWS

Senator Gallinger objected to Senator Overman's resolution calling upon Cuba to inform North Carolina as to the justness of her suit against her for $2,000,000 on account of a lot of repudiated bonds that are not worth two cents anywhere in this State. North Carolina seeks to ascertain from Cuba some inside information as to whether her claim is bona fide, or whether she has been imposed upon, or whether her acquisition of the bonds and her action against North Carolina involve collusion instigated by certain Americans who seem bent upon exploiting North Carolina in accordance with a well known shyster game heretofore pulled off in this country.

Perhaps Senator Gallinger can inform us. Perhaps he can inform us whether he appears in the matter as Cuba's friend or as the friend of some of Cuba's American friends. Is Senator Gallinger a disinterested party or has he simply butted in without knowing what he was doing in the way of helping along a hold-up scheme? Who got Cuba into the game?

CURRENT COMMENT.

Major William H. Bernard, of Wilmington, founder and former editor, publisher and business manager of the Wilmington Star, passed his 80th birthday on January 1. He is the veteran of the North Carolina press. The Observer extends to him congratulations and, in behalf of the people of Fayetteville, wishes him many more birthdays. Fayetteville claims Major Bernard as one of her "dispersed abroad," as he went from here to Wilmington and established "The Morning Star", being engaged in the newspaper business in this city before making The Star venture. Major Bernard is one of the best equipped newspaper men in the South. —Fayetteville Observer.

Wilmington is to have the Commission form of government. The commission form is a better form than the old aldermanic way of doing things. Greensboro would not go back to the old form. While there are many people who believe that a still better way is a city manager, Greensboro is very well satisfied and we predict that Wilmington will be pleased. We have never investigated the difference in the cost—but cost makes no difference if you secure justified results. The commission form gives people a chance to transact today's business today. The officers are always on the job and the whole city has representation.—Greensboro Record.

The suggestion of The News and Observer that in view of the unprecedented earnings of the past year, the railroads lower the passenger rates in North Carolina to two cents will hardly meet with any very great public support, for business men in all parts of the country as well as in North Carolina, believe that the railroads will have their hands full if they buy equipment and extend the lines to meet the growing demands of transportation. There are a great many things the railroads could do that would please the public more than putting on a two-cent passenger rates. More freight and passenger service will have to be added, thousands of cars, both passenger and freight, will have to be purchased, and more miles of track will have to be constructed into growing communities. The financial demands on the railroads for the next few years will be probably heavier than on any other business. The people of North Carolina had much rather see the more important work of construction and equipment go forward than see a two-cent passenger rate put into effect in the State. The railroads made more money last year than they have made in a number of years past, but it must be remembered that the other years have been lean ones, and the roads—not some of the weaker ones, but many of the larger systems of the country—have been right up against it financially. The good year will help the roads get back on a firm financial footing. There are a great many things much more important than the reduction of the passenger fares a fraction of a cent, and the public is more interested in better service, more freight cars, more safety devices, better bridges, more trains and more double tracking than it is in a two-cent a mile passenger rate.—Durham Herald.

WORK RESUMED AT TRINITY.

Hiram K. King a Contributor to the December Number of The Archive.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Trinity College, N. C., Jan. 4.—Students and faculty have returned and regular college duties here have been resumed after a two weeks' recess. Most of the students spent the holidays at their homes, though a few of those who live a long distance from Durham remained here during the holidays. Many members of the faculty were absent from Durham also, some attending the annual meetings of learned societies in New York, Chicago and Princeton, and others visited in other states.

The current number of The Archive, the monthly publication of the senior class, has come from the press and contains a large number of interesting articles, stories and poems. The magazine is now in its 30th year and continues to hold an important place in the life of the student body. The present number contains the following contributions: "Christmas Eve," (sonnet) by Clark Alexander, of Martin, Tenn.; "Her First Offense," by Revilo Rae, a nom de plume; "An Apology for Bachelors," by R. E. Parker, of Lasker; "Butterflies," (poem) by D. W. Newsom '99, of Durham; "A Plattsburg in Internationalism," by David Brady, of Durham; "The Song of the Angels," by Hiram K. King, of Wilmington; "Vice Versa," by Russell Leake, of Rich Square; "A Christmas Thought," by Revilo Rae; "The Treasure of Money Island," by one who signs himself "C2"; and numerous editorials and other contributions by the staff and others.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY NEWS

Board of Education and County Commissioners Meet—Hunting.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Southport, N. C., Jan. 4.—A hunting party, Captains Jack and Holley Adkins and Sergeant Garrett, took a first of the year camp-out, going on the first and being away three days, taking a comfortable outfit so that camp life was pleasant. The party went for foxes, getting five, also an unusually large blue heron.

The commissioners of the county met this week, the business being largely routine in character. There were a number of applicants for the position of the county home, this being awarded for the ensuing year to W. R. Taylor.

The county board of education, at its meeting this week, made the apportionment of funds to the several school districts of the county. There was no other business of importance.

CALLED TO NEW BERN

Rev. J. B. Willis Wanted for Pastor of Tabernacle Church.

(Special Star Correspondence).

New Bern, N. C., Jan. 4.—When the members of the Tabernacle Baptist church assembled last Sunday morning, it was their intention to extend a call to Rev. J. B. Willis, of Sanford, N. C., but a few minutes before the call was to have been made a telegram was received from him stating that he thought it would be impossible for him to accept this and asked that no action be taken.

Yesterday the church received a letter from Mr. Willis which led them to believe that he would accept the invitation and at a meeting of the Pulpit committee held last night this was extended to him.

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$35.00 value Plush Coats, reduced to $17.50
$20.00 value Plush Coats, reduced to $10.00
$30.00 value Plush Coats, reduced to $15.00
$37.50 value Plush Coats, reduced to $18.50
Genuine Salts' Astrachan Coats, regular $18.00 values, reduced to $9.00
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RETURNS FROM CHICAGO.

Prof. Hedrick Represented Trinity at Law School Association Meeting.

Trinity College, N. C., Jan. 4.—Prof. H. G. Hedrick, of the department of law, has returned from Chicago where he went to represent this institution at the annual meeting of the Association of American Law Schools, in which Trinity holds membership. A committee of this association had reported that Trinity was not observing the rules of the organization because at the end of two years' study the college gives to students who complete all the work prescribed for these years the certificate prescribed by the rule of the Supreme Court of North Carolina as a condition precedent to standing the bar examination—the committee holding that such a certificate was equivalent to a certificate of graduation. Mr. Hedrick appeared before the committee and argued that, as a matter of law, this position was not correct, and the committee's report was withdrawn by a unanimous vote.

ALLOWS PAROLE TO EXPIRE.

Federal Honor Convict Says He Could Not Return for Lack of Funds.

Leavenworth, Kas., Jan. 4.—An officer of the state penitentiary left here today for Fort Worth, Texas, to obtain custody of Henry A. Schapper, missing honor convict, who reported to the Fort Worth police today and announced that he was ready to return to prison, 36 hours after his ten-day Christmas parole had lapsed.

Dispatches from Fort Worth said that Schapper declared he had been without money and had remained there since Monday with his wife, but would return at once to Leavenworth without guards. Warden Codding hopes that is correct, as do the 16 convicts here who were paroled with him. Schapper is editor of the prison paper, The Square Deal, and in editorials has pleaded with the prisoners to uphold at all times the "square deal", and the "honesty of their word."

ORIENT LODGE, NO. 395, A. F. & A. M.

There will be an Emergent Communication of this Lodge this (Friday) evening at 8:00 o'clock, for work in the Entered Apprentice Degree. Every member is requested to be present.

All Master Masons of the city are invited to meet with us.

By order of the W. M.
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Men's Comfort Shoes; Vici Kid; black only; per pair, $1.98.

Ladies' Comfort Shoes—Aunt Polly's—These are here in all sizes, all widths, out sizes, fat ankle and good-wearing, flexible sole; button or lace; price $3.00 to $4.50.

Misses', Ladies' and Children's Shoes and Oxfords; all new styles; all sizes; prices right.

SILK AND SHEET SALE CONTINUES ALL THIS WEEK.

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CALLS MASS MEETING FOR SATURDAY NIGHT

Representative Grant Says He will be Guided by Its Action.

Reports From Raleigh State That Bill For Commission Form of City Government Has Been Prepared and "Slate" is Named.

The citizens of Wilmington are asked by Representative L. Clayton Grant to assemble Saturday night at 8 o'clock in mass meeting in the county court house for the purpose of expressing their wishes relative to any change in the form of city government, according to a message received last night from Raleigh from the New Hanover representative, who states that he will be guided by its atcion. "Senator Cranmer joins me," Mr. Grant adds, "for the purpose of stating that neither of us has written, proposed, agreed upon or introduced any bill affecting the city charter."

The message from Representative Grant followed close upon private messages from other parties in Raleigh to individuals in Wilmington stating that the New Hanover representative had already prepared a bill providing for a commission form of government for Wilmington and naming Mayor P. Q. Moore for mayor and Messrs. D. N. Chadwick and Jos. W. Yates for commissioners, the appointees to take office immediately upon ratification of the act and hold same until May, 1919.

Mr. Grant's Statement.

The telegram received by The Star from Representative Grant and also signed by Senator Cranmer follows:

"Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 4th, 1917.

"In response to the open letter of Mr. J. A. Taylor, I deside to say through your columns that I request the citizens of Wilmington to again assemble in mass meeting at the court house at 8 o'clock Saturday night of this week and express their desires relative to any change desired in the form of the city government, and that I will be then present. I will appreciate and will be guided by the voice of said meeting. Senator Cranmer joins me in this message for the purpose of stating that neither of us has written, prepared, agreed upon, or introduced any bill affecting the city charter.

"L. CLAYTON GRANT,
"E. H. CRANMER."

While the other telegrams from Raleigh last night were to private parties, the information contained in them soon became a matter of general knowledge about the city and caused still more talk and many rumors.

Other Messages From Raleigh.

It was stated positively in the messages that a bill had been prepared with numerous provisions and provisos. The bill fixed the salary of the mayor at $3,600 and that of the commissioners at $3,000 each, said the report, which presumed to be based upon the most authoritative sources. It was also stated that Mr. Chadwick was to be named as commissioner of finance and Mr. Yates as commissioner of sewerage.

It was also stated in the messages that Senator E. H. Cranmer, of Southport, would oppose the bill in the event that it was introduced and the opinion was expressed that the way for its passage had been blocked.

The reports from Raleigh last night were learned with the greatest interest by those interested in city affairs. Members of City Council discussed the question from all angles and wondered what another day might bring forth. Rumors of many kinds were on the streets and the European war was in the background.

Neither of the three men mentioned as possible appointees have made any public statements but Mr. Yates made it clear to friends last night that he had not been approached on the subject and knew nothing whatever about it. He also declared that he was not a candidate for any public office.

C. C. Bellamy, Esq., assistant city attorney, and Mr. Geo. H. Bellamy, "the Duke of Brunswick," went to Raleigh Wednesday night, for the purpose of "looking in" on the Legislature and also of "looking after" local legislation. City Attorney Robert Ruark, it is understood, will, on his return from New York, come via Raleigh. It was reported that several others had gone from Wilmington to Raleigh to look after legislative matters but, if so, they did not state their mission before leaving.

Councilman W. D. McCaig, of the present city government, whose name was connected yesterday morning in these columns as a possible appointee under the new bill of Representative Grant, when asked last night with reference to the use of his name, stated that he anticipated certainly no such appointment and that under no circumstances would he serve the people of Wilmington in that capacity unless elected thereto by the people; that he could not reconcile the provisions of the reported bill with Democracy and that this particular brand of Democracy was something more than an instrument upon which to secure and hold public office.

WILMINGTON BOYS RESCUED FROM SHIPWRECK RECENTLY.

Messrs. Alfred Linquist and Grover Lewis En Route to Homes Here.

Messrs. Alfred Lindquist and Grover Lewis, two Wilmington boys, for whom much apprehension had been felt recently by relatives, are now en route from England to America after having been in a bad shipwreck, according to letters received here yesterday. Mr. Lindquist was engineer on the Navajo and Mr. Lewis was assistant engineer on the same boat. The vessel went down in the English channel and the members of the crew were rescued by a Norwegian steamer and carried to England.

The Navajo was due in New York on December 3 and when it failed to show up it was feared that it had been wrecked. Owing to the strict censorship maintained, it was not until a few days ago that it was learned that the members of the crew had been rescued.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were J. F. Wooward, Warsaw; G. W. Harley, New Bern; E. R. Harley, Raleigh; L. D. Adkin, Warsaw; G. T. Morgan, East Arcadia; J. A. Westbrook, Mt. Olive, and E. F. Elwell, Raleigh.

TO FORM ORGANIZATION

County and City School Committeemen to Meet Saturday to Discuss Improvements in School Buildings.

Announcement of an important meeting of the school committeemen of both the city and county to be held at the Hemenway school on Saturady, January 6th, at 1 o'clock, has been forwarded to the committeemen by Prof. Washington Catlett, superintendent of county schools. An association of the committeemen will probably be formed at this meeting, and officers elected.

Professor Catlett states that at a similar meeting held about two weeks ago, it was agreed that such an association should be organized and that monthly meetings should be held in the future.

Another important matter which will be discussed will be the question of what new school buildings ought to be constructed in the county and city, in the event that the proposed $250,000 school bond issue is approved by the people, provision for its submission to the voters having been practically assured by the unanimous endorsement given it by the committeemen at the last meeting and Representative Grant's promise to work for the necessary legislation. Still another question to be discussed is that of constructing a new High School building and broadening the course of study so as to prepare every boy and girl in New Hanover county to make a living.

New Buildings Needed.

As to the pressing need for new school buildings in the rural districts, Professor Catlett says many of the rural school buildings are 75 years old, dilapidated, unsightly and insanitary. Some are of the one-room variety and were originally built for residence "shacks."

Carolina Beach has no school building. The Oak Hill school is an old one-room affair never intended when built for school purposes, while the excuses for buildings at East Wilmington, Acorn Branch, Scott's Hill and a number of others are equally unsuited and inadequate for school purposes.

SOROSIS PROMISES SUPPORT OF CITY SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

Women's Organizations Will Co-Operate With Supt. Blair.

The movement started by Supt. John J. Blair, of the city schools, to secure books for the different school libraries, was endorsed by North Carolina Sorosis at its regular monthly business meeting yesterday afternoon. Mrs. M. J. Dauer, chairman of the educational committee, explained the need that exists and asked the co-operation of the members of the organization in getting books for the children. Her suggestion met with the cordial approval of those present and it was suggested that the other women of the city be asked to help in this worthy undertaking.

Mrs. Dauer explained that books suitable for children in any grade from the primary to the High school would be acceptable and pointed out that books could not be used for a nobler purpose.

It is suggested that those having books to give to the school libraries leave them at the club room of Sorosis on North Third street, if convenient, or they may phone Mrs. Dauer, who will be glad to arrange for getting them.

38 ALLEGED VAGRANT WOMEN TO FACE RECORDER TODAY

May be Sentenced to 30 Days Each, or Longer if Second Offenders.

The 38 women arrested Wednesday night by Deputy Sheriffs A. L. Kelly and J. J. Rackley on warrants sworn out before Recorder George Harriss, will be arariged on vagrancy charges at this morning's session of Recorder's court.

The statute under which the warrants were issued makes it the duty of the chief of police to furnish a list of all alleged keepers of disorderly houses together with their inmates every 30 days to the proper authorities.

Under the law, a woman who is charged with vagrancy must be able to show the court that she has a reputable means of earning a living, or that she has independent means of support, otherwise she is liable to conviction for 30 days as a first offender, or for several months if the warrant charges and it is proven that she is an old offender.

PUBLIC INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS MONDAY NIGHT

North State Tent of Maccabees Invites Public to Attend Exercises.

The North State Tent, No. 8, of the Maccabees, will have a public installation of its newly elected officers on next Monday night in the Odd Fellows' hall. The installation will be conducted by State Commander H. F. Carpenter, who will also make an address. Mayor P. Q. Moore has also accepted an invitation to make an address on this occasion.

An attractive programme is being arranged, which will be announced later. The ladies are especially invited to be present.

FUNERAL OF MR. COWAN

Remains Will be Taken to Rocky Mount for Interment.

Funeral services for Mr. Morris Ormsby Cowan, who died yesterday morning at the county stockade as a result of a stroke of apoplexy, will be held today at Ashton, near Rocky Point, to which place the remains have been taken. Mr. Cowan is survived by several children, two of whom reside in this city. The interment will be made in Pike Creek cemetery, following the services which will be held at the Pike Creek church.

HAS NOT REACHED GENOA

City of Wilmington Put in at Spanish Port for Boiler Repairs.

That the City of Wilmington, the freighter owned by the Cape Fear Shipping & Trading Company, has not yet arrived at its destination, Genoa, Italy, was the announcement made yesterday at the office of Alexander Sprunt & Son.

The vessel, which is carrying a cargo of cotton from this port, was heard from when she arrived in the vicinity of Gibraltar straits, through which she will pass into the Mediterranean Sea. It is understood that the vessel later put into a Spanish port for repairs to her boilers.

Upon her return voyage, the City of Wilmington will bring a cargo of pyrites from Huelva, Spain, to Swift & Company, this city.

NEGRO JUMPED FROM JAIL

Solomon Smith Enjoys Short Lived Liberty—Was Target for Many Bullets But Escaped Unscathed.

Solomon Smith, colored, who enjoyed a short-lived liberty yesterday morning after having made his escape from the county jail, where he is being held on a charge of burglary to await trial at the next term of Superior Court, may well thank his lucky stars that the bullets from the pistols of Sheriff Jackson and a half dozen deputies were not well aimed. How the negro escaped being shot when he was apprehended on North Twelfth street yesterday afternoon is one of the miracles that the officers cannot explain.

Smith made his escape from the jail without much difficulty about 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning while Jailer R. L. Harker was engaged in looking after the prisoners confined in the jail. The doors to Smith's cage was not locked and the negro had little trouble in slipping out into the bed room of the jailer on the second floor of the building. The windows to the room are not barred and it was a simple matter to drop to the ground.

Smith after reaching the ground did not start running but instead walked out leisurely, so as not to attract the attention of those passing by. He was shrewd enough not to undertake to stay in the open long but made for the home of a friend, George Henry Allen, colored, at No. 105 North Twelfth street.

The bloodhounds were brought to the scene within a few minutes after the negro escaped but for some reason or other did not make any headway. Sheriff Jackson soon had several posses out after the negro. Accompanied by Deputy Sheriffs Kelly and Rackley and Mr. Ed George, Sheriff Jackson started out in one direction while Jailer Harker and Plainclothes Officer Leon George went another and Maj. W. N. Harriss, Constable Davis and Plainclothesman D. W. Coleman went in still another. Practically the entire city was searched and a large part of the county. However, nothing was seen of Smith.

About 1 o'clock just after reaching the court house, Constable Davis received a tip as to where the negro was hiding. Sheriff Jackson came up a few minutes afterwards and the officers got into his machine and went out Princess street. Leaving the machine several blocks away the posse advanced on the house where Smith was hiding.

Constable Davis, Officer Coleman and Deputy Sheriff Kelly entered the house from the front door while Sheriff Jackson, Deputy Sheriff Rackley and Mr. George went to the rear to head the negro off, if he started to run. Smith was in the dining room when the officers came in and immediately ran out the back door to make his escape. The negro did not stop when ordered to surrender but made a break for the open street. A high fence was in his way and as he started over the obstruction, the officers opened fire on him. Altogether a dozen bullets were fired and the negro fell from the fence to the ground, evidently with the idea of going under a house nearby. When fusilade of bullets was turned loose on him, the negro thought he had been shot.

When the officers reached the jail, they made a thorough inspection of the negro's body but failed to find a scratch. They were greatly relied to find that he was not wounded though they did not understand how all the bullets had missed their mark.

Sheriff Jackson received the cordial cooperation of many citizens in his search for the negro after he had escaped and stated last night that he desired to express his sincere appreciation to all who helped in rounding up the prisoner.

Smith was arrested at his home on Haynes alley on December 22 by members of the police department. When the officers entered the house they found the negro under the bed but he did not offer any resistance although he had in his possession a pistol. This weapon was later identified by Jim Gore, colored, as having been stolen from his home some nights before. When searched several knives were found on Smith, which Mr. M. C. Rivenbark, who conducts a grocery store at Third and Brunswick streets, as having been stolen on the same night that Smith was arrested. Mr. Rivenbark has his residence in connection with his store and Smith was held on a charge of burglary.

After hearing the evidence in the case, Recorder Harriss found probable cause and Smith was held for the next term of Superior Court without bond.

COUNTY OFFICERS WILL BRING PRISONER BACK.

Sheriff Jackson and Officer Godwin Leave Today for Pennsylvania.

Sheriff Geo. C. Jackson, accompanied by County Officer H. Mack Godwin, will leave at 8 o'clock this morning for Pennsylvania to bring back Harry Goss, colored, alias Son Darling, wanted here for highway robbery. Sheriff Jackson will go to Harrisburg to deliver the requisition papers to Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh, and will later rejoin Officer Godwin at Philadelphia, where the prisoner is now being held for the local county authorities.

Some time ago the local authorities were informed that requisition papers would be necessary. They were prepared by County Solicitor E. T. Burton and forwarded to Raleigh, where they were signed by Governor Locke Craig.

Besides being an escaped convict, Darling is wanted here on the charge of having held up Joe Williams, colored, at the point of a pistol on November 18th, and robbed him of about $6.

Check from Mr. D. L. Gore.

Readers of The Star will be interested in the following editorial paragraph from Charity and Children, organ of the North Carolina Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville: "Mr. D. L. Gore sends his check for $50 with instructions to spend it in paying half the subscription price of Charity and Children to such Sunday schools not now taking the paper as will come across with the other half. We wish Mr. Gore had Rockefeller's fortune. He puts the same good business sense in giving that he does in making money."

Plays Violin at Concert.

The many friends of Mr. Harry McGowan, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McGowan, will be interested in learning that he is making a splendid record at the Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore. He recently played the first violin in a concert given by the students' orchestra.

LOWER TAXES PREFERABLE

Chairman W. A. McGirt Thinks County Already Has Sufficient Burden of Expense to Carry.

The people are more interested in getting a lower tax rate than in securing a change in the division of the expenses borne jointly by city and county, Chairman W. A. McGirt, of the Board of Commissioners, declared last night. Chairman McGirt stated that he was opposed to throwing additional expenses on the county at this time and pointed out that to do so would make it necessary to increase the county tax rate.

Chairman McGirt feels that the county is already bearing its due proportion of the expenses of the city and pointed out that the county is bearing the entire burden of the expense of maintaining the schools of both city and county, most of which are located in the city. The city pays nothing towards the support of the schools, he explained, while practically a third of the county taxes go towards their support. In addition to this he stated that 27 2-3 cents of the county tax rate of $1.25 goes to the State, making 50 per cent of the taxes that are paid in the county.

In this connection, Chairman McGirt made the following statement:

"All of the schools in New Hanover county, including those in the city of Wilmington, are supported and maintained by county funds and not by city funds. The county tax rate is $1.25—35c of which goes towards supporting and maintaining the schools—most of which are located in the city. The city tax rate is $1.78½, but no city funds are expended for schools. Notwithstanding this fact, certain resolutions have recently been passed by city officials in an effort to have shifted from the city to the county additional expenses.

"Wilmington is the only city among those tabulated below which contributes nothing for schools. The 1915 report of the State Tax Commission shows the following amounts contributed to the support of schools, together with the tax rate as shown:

	Paid to Schools	Tax rate
Asheville	$80,218.96	$1.55
Charlotte	69,866.63	1.36
Durham	26,346.45	1.17
Greensboro	59,268.81	1.30
High Point	21,509.29	1.45
New Bern	16,873.82	1.10
Winston-Salem	151,245.23	1.20
Wilmington	Nothing	2.00

"New Hanover county is paying one-half the expense incident to maintaining the hospital, located within the city, and, in my opinion, the county is paying its full share of every item in which the city is at all interested. If the city officials succeed in their efforts to throw additional expenses on the county it will be necessary to increase the county tax rate.

"I do not believe the people in our county are willing to consider at this time any change that would mean increasing the tax rate in our county for the purpose of giving to the city more money to spend."

MORE THAN 50 CASES OF MEASLES QUARANTINED.

Nearly 30 New Cases Among Whites of City Reported in Four Days.

With more than 50 cases under quarantine in the city and county, measles is epidemic among the white children in the city to a very marked extent, and to a limited degree in the rural sections. Fifty-two cases, six of which are in the county, have been placed under quarantine by Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt.

Twenty-four new cases have been reported to the Health Department in the city alone within the past few days. Six cases developed on January 1st, eight on January 2nd, and ten cases on January 3rd. Three new cases were reported yesterday. Only one new case has been reported from the rural sections since the beginning of the new year, but five were under quarantine on December 31st in the sections outside of the city.

BIENNIAL MEETING OF JOINT HEALTH BOARD.

Subordinate Officers Will be Elected at Session Next Monday.

The biennial meeting of the joint city and county Board of Health will be held next Monday at the Court House, at which time Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, county health officer, will submit his report for the past year to the board.

At this meeting the health officer and all subordinate officers and attaches of the Health Department will be named. So far as is known, no change in officials is contemplated.

INSTALL OFFICERS TONIGHT

Hanover Lodge of Odd Fellows Will Conduct Exercises Tonight.

Hanover Lodge, No. 145, I. O. O. F., will conduct the exercises in connection with the installation of the newly elected officeds of the four local lodges of the Odd Fellows tonight at 8 o'clock at their hall in the Odd Fellows' building, corner Third and Princess streets. The exercises will be open to the public and an attractive musical programme will be rendered.

The officers of the Hanover, Cape Fear, Orion and Wilmington lodges will be publicly installed in their several posts of honor. Following the exercises, refreshments will be served.

FUNERAL THIS MORNING

Services for Mrs. Strickland Will be Held From Residence Here.

The funeral of Mrs. Nancy L. Strickland, wife of the late William H. Strickland, whose death occurred Wednesday night, will be conducted this morning from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Woolard, No. 413 Bladen street, by Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, assisted by Rev. G. B. Webster. The interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

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At Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina

At the Close of Business December 27th, 1916.

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,135,384.10	Capital Stock	$ 65,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	22,250.00	Undivided Profits	117,274.55
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	48,000.00	Dividends Unpaid	150.75
Trust Investments	38,147.00	Reserve for Dividend January 1st, 1917	1,950.00
Demand Loans	269,376.06	Accrued Interest Due Depositors	12,000.00
Cash on Hand and Due from Banks	101,390.45	Cashier's Checks Outstanding.	3,751.90
		Deposits	1,414,420.41
Total	$1,614,547.61	Total	$1,614,547.61

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER.

I, J. Holmes Davis, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief. J. HOLMES DAVIS, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:
WALKER TAYLOR,
D. C. LOVE,
D. R. FOSTER, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the 4th day of January, 1917.
J. V. GRAINGER, Notary Public.

NOTICE!

The Twenty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company

Will be Held at the Company's Offices, 110 Princess Street, in the City of Wilmington, N. C., at 11 o'Clock, A. M., Wednesday, January 10th.

J. L. WILLIAMS, Cashier.

PROGRESS AT SOUTHSIDE.

Wilmington Baptist Congregation and Pastor Had Good Year.

Rev. W. G. Hall, pastor of Southside Baptist church, Wilmington, has a communication in the current issue of the Biblical Recorder, in which he says:

"We rounded up our campaign last night (December 20) for our $1,200 due the Home Mission Board January 1. When the reports were all in we found we had more than $1,300. Our building is not yet completed. We are still worshiping in the basement, but we hope to pay off all the indebtedness of $4,080 next year, and then complete the main part of the church.

"My people are standing together in a fine spirit, and we believe that God is leading us in our heroic effort to complete our building.

"My people are loyal to the pastor, and presented to him a purse to pay all expenses to the Convention, which they do every year.

"I have been pastor here for five years and nine months, and have received about 480 members into the fellowship of the church. The Lord has been with us."

FUNERAL OF MR. KING.

Services Conducted from Second Advent Church Yesterday Morning.

In the presence of a large gathering of sorrowing friends and relatives the funeral of Mr. William King, whose death occurred at the James Walker Memorial hospital Wednesday afternoon, was conducted from the Second Advent Christian churches yesterday morning by Elder J. P. King. The interment was in Bellevue cemetery. There were many beautiful floral tributes.

The pall-bearers were Messrs. J. A. Orrell, B. T. Hancock, S. J. Bryan, J. W. S. Harvey, Geo. T. Hewlett and A. J. Padrick.

TO ADD MANICURING DEPARTMENT

Latest Up-to-Date Methods Will be Used in French Store.

Mrs. L. L. Newell and Mrs. C. D. Foard, of the French Millinery Store on Princess street, left Tuesday night for New York, where they will purchase their spring supplies for milady's wardrobe. While away they will visit Rochester, N. Y., and arrange for an expert in the Martha Matilda Harper method of hairdressing, manicuring and shampooing to take charge of a manicuring department of the Wilmington store, which is to be a permanent feature of the establishment in the future.

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Men's $2.00 Trousers, Reduced to $1.69
Men's $2.50 Trousers, Reduced to $1.98
Men's $3.00 Trousers, Reduced to $2.39
Men's $3.50 Trousers, Reduced to $2.98
Men's $4.00 Trousers, Reduced to $3.48
Men's $5.00 Trousers, Reduced to $4.29

Buy a Pair of These Extra Pants and Help Out Your Old Suit

BELK-WILLIAMS COMP'Y

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. W. S. Cooper, of Bolivia, is spending some time in the city with friends.

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Mrs. C. D. Bell, of Gates, N. C., is the guest of Mrs. H. L. Fennell, No. 807 Market street.

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Fayetteville Observer, Wednesday: "Mr. and Mrs. Justin White and young son, Justin, Jr., returned to their home in Wilmington yesterday, after a visit to Mrs. White's sister, Mrs. W. L. Holt."

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Miss Katie Orr, who spent the holidays in the city with relatives, has returned to Greensboro to resume her studies in the State Normal College for Women.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Memory, of Whiteville, have returned home after spending a few days in the city with relatives.

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Mrs. G. W. White, of Bolivia, passed through the city yesterday en route to Evergreen, where she will spend some time with relatives.

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The Blue Ridge club of the Y. W. C. A. will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the association building. The first chapter of "Overtaking the Centuries" will be studied.

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The regular monthly business meeting of the Epworth League of Grace Methodist church will be held this evening at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

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Misses Lillian and Lina Robinson and Miss Josie Dixon, of Supply, passed through the city yesterday to Bule's Creek, where they will spend several days with friends.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock in Memorial Hall. All women of the congregation are cordially invited to attend.

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Miss Maie James Fennell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Fennell, left last night for Washington, D. C., to resume her studies in the National School of Domestic Art and Science, after having spent the holidays with her parents.

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Mrs. H. K. Galpin, of Chicago, and Mrs. E. B. Roberts, of Watertown, Wis., who have been in the city for the past week to attend the funeral of their sister, Mrs. W. P. Monroe, will leave for their homes tonight. They will be accompanied by Miss Jessie Mae Monroe, daughter of Lieut. and Mrs. Monroe, who will make her home with Mrs. Galpin in the future, and Mr. J. C. Monroe, a son, who will live with Mrs. Roberts in Watertown.

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AUXILIARY IS TO GIVE ANNUAL ENTERTAINMENT.

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. John's Parish will hold its annual Twelfth Night entertainment tonight, Epiphany Eve, at 8 o'clock in the parish house.

An attractive programme has been arranged, which will include a solo by Miss Anna Harris. The public is cordially invited to attend. The silver offering, which will be received, will be devoted to the cause of missions.

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ROSE HILL BUSINESS MAN WEDS YOUNG WOMAN OF COVE CITY

New Bern, N. C., Jan. 4.—A marriage of real interest to friends of the contracting parties, took place in this city yesterday morning at 8 o'clock when Miss Sara Catherine Bryan, of Cove City, became the bride of Mr. Cicero Bryan Griffin, a prominent young business man of Rose Hill, N. C.

The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's sister, Miss Clara Bryan, by Rev. J. N. H. Summerell, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and was witnessed by a few relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Griffin will make their home at Rose Hill after January 12th.

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DELIGHTFUL CHRISTMAS DANCE AT ATKINSON ENJOYED BY MANY

Atkinson, N. C., Jan. 4.—The most delightful social function of the season here was a Christmas dance given last Friday evening by the young men of the town in honor of Miss Cottie Howell, of Norfolk. The dance was held in the hall over the Cutis drug store. Excellent music was furnished by the Butler band, of Dunn. Mrs. J. R. Hawes, Mrs. J. T. Hoggard and Mrs. Seth Smith, of Whiteville, were chaperones for the party.

The couples attending the dance included: Miss Mildred Moore and Professor Tuttle, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Miss Clare Johnson and Mr. Roy Cromartie, of Garland, N. C.; Miss Katie Hawes and Mr. David Sloan, Garland; Miss Estelle Moore and Mr. Alton R. Keith; Miss Florence Murphy and Mrs. E. A. Hawes, Jr., Miss Carrie Bryan Sloan and Mr. W. M. Boice, Miss Adelaide Keith and Mr. Clarence Smith, of High Point; Miss Annie Fay Keith and Mr. George Lucas, of Currie; Miss Lois Cromartie and Mr. George Moore, Miss Annie Lucas and Johnnie Murphy, Miss Cottie Howell and Mr. Henry Lamm, Garland; Miss Norma R. Black and Mr. Pritchard Orr, of Leaksville.

Stags—Marion Keith, Dr. J. S. Hawes, Dr. Keith, Hendersonville, N. C.; Roy Walker, Currie; W. J. B. Orr, Currie, and K. C. Denny.

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FARM LOAN ASSOCIATION IN DUPLIN COUNTY ORGANIZED

Warsaw, N. C., Jan. 4.—The Duplin National Farm Loan Association was organized here on Wednesday, January 3.

The following directors were elected: W. H. Williams, Jr.; J. E. Williams, J. M. Swinson, J. L. Carlton, J. W. Faison and W. O. Singletary.

After the adjournment of the meeting of the association, the board of directors met and elected the following officers: President, J. E. Williams; vice-president, J. F. Faison; secretary-treasurer, W. O. Singletary; loan committee, W. H. Williams, Jr., J. F. Faison and J. L. Carlton.

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GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION OF INTEREST IN EAST CAROLINA

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 4.—Of special interest to many people in Eastern Carolina was a golden wedding celebration held here New Year's Day in which Hill C. King and his wife and forty-seven descendants were the participants, Mr. and Mrs. King having been married for fifty years and reared nine children, all of whom were living and present with numerous children. In fact four generations were representated. It was strictly a family celebration and there were numbers of handsome gold and silver and other presents.

Mr. King and Mrs. King are both natives of Onslow county and lived in Pender county a number of years before locating in Raleigh eighteen years ago. Mr. King represented Onslow in the lower house of the Legislature two sessions in 1885 and 1887 and was principal clerk of the Senate in 1895 and 1897 and has been in business in Raleigh since that time. Mrs. King is a daughter of M. L. F. Red, of Onslow county, who served at one time as sheriff of the county and was captain of Company E, Third North Carolina. Mr. King served in company Sixty-Seventh North Carolina. The children of Mr. and Mrs. King, all of whom were present for the celebration, were Mrs. Z. R. Thompson, of Sloop Point; T. LaFayette King, of Newport News; Mds. Geo. W. Corbett, of Currie; C. H. King, of Raleigh; Mrs. William Glisson, Wilmington; Mrs. Henry J. Perry, Raleigh; Rev. G. M. King, of Darien, Wis.; M. O. King, Raleigh; Mrs. C. B. Pusey, Newport News. Most of the in-laws as well as the children were here. Also, especially notable was Mrs. C. B. Boney, of Burgaw, who is a grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs. King, her little daughter representing the fourth generation in the family gathering. Mrs. Boney is a daughter of Mrs. Thompson, of Sloop Point.

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FUNERAL OF MRS. GREEN.

Services From Residence of Son, Mr. Herbert C. Green, This Afternoon.

The funeral of Mrs. Belle J. Green, wife of the late Richard Franklin Green, of Henderson, whose death occurred late Wednesday afternoon, will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence of her son, Mr. Herbert C. Green, No. 421 South Fifth venue, and will be conducted by Rev. J. H. McCracken, pastor of Fifth Avenue Methodist church. The interment will be in Bellevue cemetery.

Mrs. Green was a Christian woman and was a devoted member of the Presbyterian church at Brookston, near Henderson, where she formerly lived. Her unusual sweetness of character had won for her many friends. She is survived by three children, Mras. W. A. Wadden, of Pacolet, S. C.; Mr. Herbert C. Green, of this city, and Miss Zelma Green, of Goldsboro, also three stepchildren: Mr. Ellis L. Green, of Warrenton; Malcom Green, of Henderson, and Mrs. Joe Riams, of Raleigh.

REPAIRING DOCK.

Wharf of Coast Guard Cutter Seminole is Being Re-Built.

Improvements and repairs, involving an estimated expenditure of approximately $2,000, are being made by the government at the mooring wharf of the coast guard cutter Seminole on Water street. Contrary to the usual custom of letting such work out to a private contractor, the repairs, which include the laying of heavy timbers on the piling and the re-flooring of the wharf, are being made by the sailors of the cutter no otherwise employed on shipboard.

For the past few days the officers of the cutter have been visiting small craft in the harbor with a view to ascertain whether they are obeying the government regulations with respect to the carrying of fire-extinguishers and lights.

JEFF DAVIS COUNCIL NO. 63 INSTALSS NEW OFFICERS.

Deputy State Councilor Kelly Conducts Installation Ceremonies.

The newly-elected officers of Jeff Davis Council, No. 63, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, were installed last night at the regular meeting held at their hall in the Odd Fellows' building. The installation exercises were conducted by Deputy State Councillor James A. Kelly. The officers inducted into office were:

Councillor, A. J. Beach; vice councillor, J. W. Orrell; recording secretary, John E. Wood; assistant recording secretary, A. J. Krahnke; financial secretary, Hary Lanier; treasurer, Carl Marshburn; conductor, Geo. T. Grotgen, Jr.; warden, Geo. T. Grotgen, Sr.; outside sentinel, J. F. Applewhite; inside sentinel, John Lanier; junior past councilor, A. D. Cashwell; chaplain, S. G. Nelms; trustees, Woodus Kellum, B. F. Brittain, Jr., and James A. Kelly.

—A burning chimney at the residence of Mr. S. P. Collier, No. 302 North Front street, at 7 o'clock last night caused the fire department to turn out. No damage was done.

FEW FOLKS HAVE GRAY HAIR NOW

Well-Known Local Druggist Says Everybody is Using Old-Time Recipe of Sage Tea and Sulphur.

Hair that loses its color and lustre, or when it fades, turns gray, dull and lifeless, is caused by a lack of sulphur in the hair. Our grandmother made up a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur to keep her locks dark and beautiful, and thousands of women and men who value that even color, that beautiful dark shade of hair which is so attractive, use only this old-time recipe.

Nowadays we get this famous mixture improved by the addition of other ingredients by asking at any drug store for a 50-cent bottle of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," which darkens the hair so naturally, so evenly, that nobody can possibly tell it has been applied. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; but what delights the ladies with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound is that, besides beautifully darkening the hair after a few applications, it also brings back the gloss and lustre and gives it an appearance of abundance.

Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound is a delightful toilet requisite to impart color and a youthful appearance to the hair. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

TO HAVE EPIPHANY SERVICE

Impressive Exercises to be Held at Church of Good Shepherd Tonight. Two Addresses.

Following the custom of a number of years, the Eve of the Epiphany will be fittingly observed in the Church of the Good Shepherd, corner Sixth and Queen streets, with a beautiful and impressive services tonight at 8 o'clock. Bishop Thomas C. Darst and Rev. Dr. Milton will make addresses and all the clergy of the Protestant Episcopal church in Wilmington will take part in the service.

The service will open with a processional hymns, sung by the choir and the Wise Men, who will enter the dimly lighted church in costume. The lights will then be turned on and a special service for missions will follow with music, prayeds and addresses. The lights will then be turned out except the light on the altar, and the bright Epiphany star that shines high up above the altar.

The bishop will light a candle from the altar and kindle the other candles held by the clergy and the Wise Men. The Wise Men then light candles held by the choir and other members of the congregation until the darkness of the church gives place to a blaze of light from many hnundreds of candles twinkle beautifully all over the building.

As one watches the kinding of the candles one by one, from neighbor to neighbor, he can see appropriately represented the spread of the Gospel by personal touch of life with life.

After all candles are lighted, the choir and clergy will march to the front door of the church, bearing their lighted candles, and the congregation will follow, with their lights, leaving the church through the open ranks of the choir and clergy.

This year an unusually large attendance is expected because the other churches of the city will be represented in the congregation. After the service, the congregation will enter the Good Shepherd Hall, where a great treat is in store, in the form of a Christmas "Mystery Play" to be presented by the little children. It is very beautiful and will last only about 15 minutes after which a social hour will follow with a special musical program and refreshments. The service in the church will begin promptly at 8 o'clock.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Rev. J. S. Crowley will preach Sunday morning and night at Topsail Presbyterian church. Services will begin at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend the services.

—Among the arrivals at the Hotel Wilmington yesterday were P. A. Barr, Lincolnton; T. B. M. McDaniel, Roseboro; G. E. Dindsey, Durham; C. E. Bartol, Fayetteville, and Chas. M. Lance, Whiteville.

—Peter Herring, colored, charged with having used a pistol promiscuously at a dance at Scott's Hill a few night ago, will be tried before the Recorder this morning Probable cause was found by Justice McGowan yesterday and the case sent over to the Recorder.

—The relatives of the late T. M. Thompson, of Southport, have been paid $5,000, due on a life insurance policy by the National Life Insurance Co. The policy was paid several weeks ago by James & James, Inc., general agents, of this city.

—The following deeds were filed yesterday in the office of the register of deeds: Oscar McCullen and others to C. C. Cashwell, Esq., property in Harnett township, consideration, $50; The Wilmington Suburban Company to Janet Meares Beery, property on Fourth street, consideration, $10 and other valuable considerations; John J. Furlong and wife to Sol Sternberger, property on Castle street, consideration, $60.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. McJ. J. Smith, who spent several days in Wilmington on business, returned yesterday afternoon to his home at Seven Springs, N. C.

—Cyrus Hogue, Esq., has returned from a business trip to Raleigh and Chapel Hill.

POPE IS FOSTERING CHURCH UNION PLAN

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to take a more active part in the life of western nations, either Protestant or Catholic, and that it is necessary to come to an understanding with them in order to avoid evils produced by religious intolerance. The newly planned commission of cardinals will pay attention to yearnings for unity which from time to time manifest themselves in the Orthodox churches and to cultivate friendly relations with the Anglican church.

"One of the most important tasks of the new commission will be a thorough re-examination of the arguments pro and con on the validity of Anglican ordinations. The bull 'apostolical sedis' by Leo X has settled in the negative the problem of that validity but generally theological schools assume a more favorable attitude toward acknowledgment of the validity of Anglican orders and the new commission of cardinals will carefully ponder the reasons set forth by Russian and Anglican divines against the decision of Pope Leo X. The friendship of the Anglican church is appreciated by Rome for she may be as a link of union between Roman Catholicism and Russian Orthodoxy.

"The interest of the Vatican in the problem of Christian unity has been aroused by the recent progress of the world conference, the well known initiative movement of the American Episcopal church. The movement towards Christian unity, started by the world conference, excited interest and sympathies in Rome, and Cardinal Gasparri, in the name of the Pope, wrote to the secretary of the world conference, Robert H. Gardiner, several letters which seem to reproduce the style and the feelings of Leo XIII. But that correspondence would not have had any tangible results, if the conference had not met with a great success in Russia. The official organ of the Holy Synod has praised the initiative of the world conference, and exhorted the Russian hierarchy, to give their cooperation to it."

Dr. Palmieri made public a letter he had just received from Prof. W. Ekzempliarski, editor of the "Christian Thought," in which the Russian writer said:

"It is with a feeling of joy that Russians see their American brothers take in hand the initiative of Christian unity with energy and assiduity."

"Of course, Rome cannot see with indifference the growing friendship between Anglicanism and Orthodoxy," Dr. Palmieri declared, "and consequently the new commission of cardinals will examine whether American Christianity feels instinctively the need of harmonizing the various tendencies of Christian mind to form a united protestantism which would be the first step toward a united Christianity.

"In this field it is felt in Rome that the United States have a providential mission to fulfill. America is an immense reservoir of Christian energies which cannot now exert their whole influence, for they are scattered. Therefore the fact that divided branches of Christianity may meet and discuss in the spirit of tolerance the controverted points among the Christian churches, is already a great victory over the spirit of intolerance and division."

ADVISES HOW TO AVOID AND CURE A "BAD COLD."

State Board of Health Issues Unique Card for Free Distribution.

The cold germ will find little work to do this winter in North Carolina if the advice of the State Board of Health is taken and strictly applied. In response to numerous inquiries received by the board as to how to cure "bad colds", and how to avoid them, the educational department has prepared for free distribution an attractive, illustrated, vest pocket size card giving all the necessary information on one side as to "How to Avoid 'Bad Colds'," and making suggestions on the other side as to "How to Cure a 'Bad Cold'." The card carries also an illustration making clear the importance and proper use of the handkerchief in case of a cold in the following lines:

"If you have to cough and sneeze
Do it behind your han'chief, please."

In order to avoid colds, the card says, "Keep away from people with colds, grippe, 'sniffles,' and coughs. Live, work and sleep in fresh air. Avoid over-heated rooms, sudden chilling, wet feet, constipation and intemperance. Keep healthy, strong and robust at all times. Weak, 'run down,' overworked people often fall victims to colds which strong healthy people ward off."

After suggesting different remedies for the cure of a cold, the card concludes with the statement: "Avoid rock and rye, catarrh cures, and patent medicines, at least until you are sufficiently recovered to withstand such things."

CHAIRMAN HURLEY OF THE TRADE COMMISSION RESIGNS.

President Accepts, But Will Ask Him to Change His Mind.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Edward N. Hurley, chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, resigned today to resume his business in Chicago, which he told President Wilson was suffering from his absence. The resignation was accepted, although the President will urge Mr. Hurley to change his mind.

The chairman will leave the commission February 1 and Vice Chairman Harris automatically will succeed him.

Mr. Hurley denied reports that he was getting out because of differences with other commissioners over the conduct of the news print paper and other investigations.

This resignation makes two vacancies on the commission. Commissioner Rublee left at the expiration of the last Congress, when the Senate again failed to confirm his nomination.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 4.—Dr. W. N. Atkins, medical inspector of Atlanta public schools, told the board of education here today that 336 cases of measles existed in 32 of the public schools he had inspected thus far and estimated there were at least 1,000 cases in the city.

Dr. Atkins urged the necessity of grouping measles with the reportable diseases subject to quarantine, and a special meeting of the board of health has been called to consider the question.

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TELLS OF SCHOOL'S NEEDS

Superintendent Blair, as Trustee of Training School, Receives Biennial Report on Institution.

Superintendent of City Schools J. J. Blair, as a member of the board of trustees of the Stonewall Jackson Manual Training and Industrial School at Concord, has received a copy of the first biennial report of Mr. Charles E. Boger, superintendent of the school, which has just been submitted to Governor Locke Craig and the board of trustees.

Superintendent Blair declares that the school is one of the most humanitarian institutions in the State, being devoted to the work of reforming and reclaiming wayward and delinquent boys from all parts of North Carolina. Its greatest need at present, he points out, is a larger appropriation from the Legislature so that additional quarters may be built at once. In this connection, he stated that there were twice as many applications for admissions to the school during the past year, as the institution could accomodate.

Superintendent Boger's report shows that more than 40 counties are now represented in the student body, that a greater capacity is demanded from every quarter of the State, as there are more than 150 applications on file, representing approximately 60 additional counties.

The school has an excellent farm, a wood-shop and truck-garden. Every boy goes to school half the day, and the other half he is at work in one of the industrial departments. The boys who make up the school are largely illiterates or boys who have defied the efforts of teachers in the places where they have resided. New Hanover was represented at the school by three boys in 1914, and this was increased to five in 1915, the periods covered by the report.

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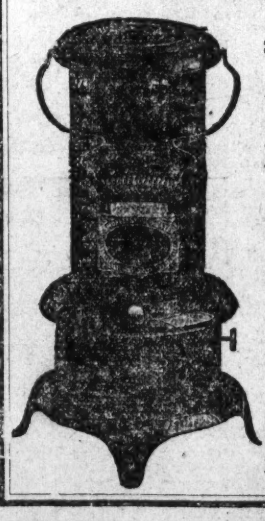

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON 6 TO 20 POINTS UP

Advance Follows Early Irregular Fluctuations—Reports of German Buying for Delivery After War.

New York, Jan. 4.—Somewhat irregular early fluctuations were followed by an advance in the cotton market here today with July selling up to 17.89 and closing at 17.88. New crops were relatively firm with the general list closing very steady at a net advance of 6 to 20 points.

The market opened steady at an advance of 5 to 7 points, but under scattered realizing prices eased off right after the call. March sold down to 17.45 and July 17.76, or about 5 to 7 points under last night's closing figures, but there was no important pressure and the tone soon became steadier. The demand became active in the late trading with active months selling 7 to 22 points above last night's close. Foreign trade interests were credited with buying October which showed the maximum advance and is now ruling less than 125 points under July compared with a recent difference of over 200 points. There were renewed rumors of purchases in the South by German interests for shipment after the war. General business remained very quiet, however, evidently being restricted by confusion as to political conditions and the uncertainty of cean freight.

	Open	High	Low	Close
January	17.40	17.87	17.33	17.35
March	17.60	17.62	17.44	17.60
May	17.60	17.86	17.70	17.85
July	17.87	17.89	17.71	17.88
October	16.62	16.72	16.50	16.75

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 17.55; sales 2,200 bales.

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans — Middling, 17.13; receipts, 11,791; sales, 1,250; stock, 499,590.

Galveston—Middling, 17.50; receipts, 6,712; sales, 200; stock, 377,540.

Mobile—Middling, 17.13; receipts, 249; stock, 20,884.

Savannah—Middling, 18.25; receipts, 1,490; stock, 200,498.

Charleston—Receipts, 726; stock, 66,406.

Wilmington—Middling, 17¼; receipts, 12; stock, 50,730.

Norfolk — Middling, 17.25; receipts, 1,618; sales, 178; stock, 114,155.

Baltimore—Stock, 8,476.

Boston—Middling, 17.55; receipts, 188; stock, 9,100.

Philadelphia — Middling, 17.80; receipts, 66; stock, 4,024.

New York—Middling, 17.55; receipts, 245; exports, 200; stock, 146,792.

Minor Ports—Receipts, 5,866; exports, 15,342; stock, 40,147.

Total today — Receipts, 29,063; exports, 15,542; stock, 1,538,342.

Total for week—Receipts, 125,957; exports, 84,451.

Total for season—Receipts, 5,011,846; exportss, 3,203,179.

Interior Movement.

Houston — Middling, 17.45; receipts, 4,314; shipments, 9,585; sales, 7,522; stock, 255,777.

Memphis—Middling, 18.00; receipts, 6,974; shipments, 3,566; sales, 25; stock, 337,355.

Augusta — Middling, 17.56; receipts, 233; shipments, 1,823; sales, 228; stock, 149,953.

St. Louis—Receipts, 1,318; shipments, 2,134; stock, 30,494.

Cincinnati—Receipts, 767; shipments, 446; stock, 23,308.

Little Rock—Middling, 17.25; receipts, 380; shipments, 1,800; sales, 1,800; stock, 50,767.

Dallas—Middling, 17.00; sales, 3,117.

Montgomery—Middling, 17.25.

Total today—Receipts, 13,986; shipments, 19,354; stock, 847,654.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Strength of October the Feature—Net Gain of 4 to 10 Points.

New Orleans, Jan. 4.—The strength of October cotton was the feature of a rather quiet market here today. October was in good demand from the opening to the close with final prices at the highest at a net gain of 23 points for the day as against a net rise of 4 to 10 points on the other active months. Covering of shorts, the narrowing of differences between the old and new crop and the belief that foreign interests will sell their spots and buy October on any further signs of delayed peace were the main reasons for the buying of the new crop position.

The early tone was unsettled, but the market stood 1 to 7 points up in response to better cables than due. Rumors that a private crop reporting bureau was out with a forecast of 11,100,000 bales ginned to the end of December depressed the market for a while sending the trading months 4 to 10 points under the closing level of yesterday. Later the tone steadied on reports of an improved spot demand, and toward the close the market was at its highest, a net gain of 5 to 23 points. Closing bids:

Jan. 17.05; March 17.18; May 17.42; July 17.61; Oct. 16.40.

Spot cotton steady and unchanged. Sales on the spot 800; to arrive 450; middling 17.13.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Jan. 4. — The market for cotton seed oil was partly lower early, with easy tallow and compound lard, but later firmed up on peace talk, short covering and scattered buying on the better showing in pure lard. Final prices were 10 to 18 points net higher. Sales, 28,000 barrels. Closed firm. Spot, 1,200; January, 12.00@12.10; February, 11.86@11.87; March, 11.91@11.93; April, 11.93@11.97; May, 11.98@12.00; June, 12.00@12.03; July, 12.07@12.08; August, 12.09@12.11.

DRY GOODS MARKETS.

New York, Jan. 4. — Cotton goods markets were quiet, with prices on gray goods steady. Yarns were easier. Raw silk was firmer. Men's wear for Fall was bought steadily. Jobbers reported trade quiet, with shipping departments busy.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Jan. 4. — Turpentine, firm, 53¾; sales, 56; receipts, 51; shipments, 124; stock, 23,173.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 840; receipts, 707; shipments, 1,865; stock, 92,274.

Quote: A, B, C, D, E, 6.22½; F, G, 6.25; H, I, 6.30; K, 6.50; M, 6.70; N, 6.25; W G, 7.00; W W, 7.25@7.32½.

WHEAT PRICES ARE LOWER

Acute Weakness Caused by Reports That the President Will Make New Effort to Bring About Peace.

Chicago, Jan. 4. — Export business on a huge scale failed today to offset altogether acute weakness that for a brief time seized the market, owing to reports that President Wilson would make a fresh effort to end hostilities in Europe. After an extreme descent of 6 1-8, prices closed nervous, at net losses of 1⅞ to 2¾, with May at 1.84 to 1.84¼, and July at 1.49¾ to 1.50.

Corn finished 1⅞ to 2⅛ down and oats off ¾ to 1⅛.

In provisions the outcome ranged from a set back of 10c. to 27½c. advance. Close:

Wheat—May, 1.84; July, 1.49¾.

Corn—May, 97½; July, 96½.

Oats—May, 57¾; July, 54½.

Pork—January, 27.20; May, 27.00.

Lard—January, 15.22; May, 15.67.

Ribs—January, 13.97; May, 14.45.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2 and No. 3, red, Nos. 2 and 3, hard, nominal.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, 96@97; No. 4, yellow, 93 1-2@ 95 1-2; No. 4, white, 94 1-2@94 3-4.

MARINE.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,285 tons, Holasch, Heide & Co.

Str Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 4.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—51c.

ROSIN—$5.50, $5.25.

TAR—$2.60-11c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$4.00, $4.00, $3.00.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 54½; rosin, $5.65 and $5.55; tar $2.10-8½c; crude turpentine, nominal.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine 2

Rosin 70

Tar 41

Crude Turpentine 16

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 14 casks; rosin, 37 barrels; tar, 137 barrels; crude turpentine, 55 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—17¼c; same day last year, 11½c.

Receipts—6 bales; same day last year 109 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 73,866 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 135,481 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

January 4, 1117.

Atlantic Coast Line—6 bales cotton; 10 barrels rosin; 41 barrels tar; 16 barrels crude turpentine.

Worth J—7 casks spirits turpentine; 60 barrels rosin.

Total—6 bales cotton; 7 casks spirits turpentine; 70 barrels rosin; 41 barrels tar; 16 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Jan. 4.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 65c. to 70c. bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.

CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—Small, 10c. to 12c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22½; first class wool, 28 to 35; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

SHEEP—Old, good quality, gross, 2 1-2 to 3c pound. Lambs, best quality, 6 to 7c pound.

HIDES—Green, salt, 18c. to 20c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 25c.; sides and shoulders, 20c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX — Firm, 28c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 20c. to 22½c. on foot; dressed, 25c. to 27½c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 25c head.

EGGS—32c to 33c dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Jan. 4.—North Carolina peanuts; new crop, farmers' stock, fancy handpicked, $1.15; No. 1, machine, $1.12 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy handpicked, 75c.; No. 1 machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.30; Jumbos, $1.25 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 4.—Spanish—Farmers' stock—Market, steady, $1.30 per bu.

Virginias — Farmers' stock, market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 4c. to 4 1-2c. per lb.; Extra Prime, 3¾c. to 4c. per lb.; Prime, 3½c. to 3¾c.; Shelling stock, 3c. to 3½c.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Jan. 4. — Hogs, active; 5 to 10 point above yesterday's average. Bulk, 9.95@10.45; light, 9.50@10.30; mixed, 9.85@10.55; heavy, 10.00@10.55; rough, 10.00@10.15; pigs, 7.60@9.35.

Cattle—Firm. Native beef cattle, 7.50@11.80; western steers, 7.35@10.00; stockers, 5.35@8.40; cows and heifers, 4.30@10.00; calves, 9.00@13.25.

Sheep—Strong. Wethers, 9.25@10.50; ewes, 6.75@10.00; lambs, 11.40@13.70.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Jan. 4. — Sugar—Raw, firm; centrifugal, 5.27; molasses sugar, 4.40; refined, quiet.

Coffee—Spot, steady. Rio No. 7s, 9⅞; Santos, No. 4s, 10⅞.

London, Jan. 2. — Two Zeppelins have been destroyed at Tondern, Schleswig, by a fire due to defective electric wiring, in a recently constructed double shed, says a Reuter dispatch from Copenhagen, quoting the Ribe, Jutland Stifts Tidende.

STOCKS UNDERGO REVERSES

Peace Talk and Reports of Unfavorable International Complications Affect Both Classes.

New York, Jan. 4.—Rumors and reports dealing with the peace situation were credited with causing a reversal in the stock market today, which carried prices down 3 to 6 points. Reports of fresh complications between the United States and Germany adversely affected the so-called peace stocks, while dispatches from Washington forecasting a new move by this government in the direction of peace appeared to have a similar effect upon the war issues. These and other developments created confusing cross currents in the movement of prices.

Unsettlement began soon after the firm opening, incorrect advices from Washington giving rise to the impression that the Federal Reserve Board had issued another and more emphatic warning against American participation in short term loans of foreign origin. Losses were generally extended during the intermediate period and again in the final hour.

Intermittent rallies of 1 to 2 points were more than balanced by increased heaviness in United States Steel and allied industrials. Coppers were under especial pressure in consequence of further price concessions for the refined metal. Mexicans were almost the sole exceptions to the downward trend, making substantial recoveries from midday depression. Standard rails lost 1 to 2 points with 5½ for Canadian Pacific. The Southern division was firmest of that group at temporary gains of 1 to 2 points.

Munitions and equipments, Leather and Sugar shares, Motors and their accessories, some of which opened with material improvement ended at net losses of variable proportions. United States Steel again contributed about 33 per cent to the day's business at a final loss of three points.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $5,470,000. United States bonds unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	27¾
American Beet Sugar	95⅝
American Can	49
American Car and Foundry	67½
American Cotton Oil	50
American Locomotive	79
American Smelting	106¾
American Sugar	111½
American Tel. and Tel	123½
American Tobacco	B.214
American Zinc	37
Anaconda Copper	83¼
Atchison	105¾
Atlantic Coast Line	119
Baldwin Locomotive	60
Baltimore and Ohio	84⅜
Bethlehem Steel	510
Canadian Pacific	160
Central Leather	93⅞
Chesapeake and Ohio	64⅞
Chicago, Mil. and Stt. Paul	92
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry	33
Colorado Fuel and Iron	47
Consolidated Gas	132
Corn Products	22¼
Crucible Steel	64¼
Cuba Cane Sugar	54⅜
Erie	33¼
General Electric	167
Great Northern, pfd	118
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	36¼
Goodrich	58¾
Illinois Central	105½
Inspiration Copper	57⅝
Int. Mer. Marine, pfd	85¼
International Nickel	42⅜
International Paper	45½
Kansas City Southern	25⅛
Kennecott Copper	45¾
Lehigh Valley	78¾
Louisville and Nashville	133¾
Liggett and Meyers	B.275
Lorillard Co.	B.222
Maxwell Motorss	52¾
Mexican Petroleum	103⅜
National Lead	60
New York Central	103
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	52
Norfolk and Western	135½
Northern Pacific	109¾
Pennsylvania	56⅞
Ray Consolidated Copper	26¾
Reading	101¾
Rep. Iron and Steel	80
Seaboard Air Line	17⅜
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	38
Sloss-Sheff. Steel and Iron	67¼
Studebaker Corporation	106½
Southern Pacific	96⅝
Southern Railway	31⅞
Southern Railway, pfd	69½
Tennessee Copper	15⅝
Texas Co	233⅝
Union Pacific	144⅝
United Fruit	150¾
United States Rubber	64
United States Steel	112
United States Steel, pfd	120
Utah Copper	101¼
Virginia-Caro. Chem	43⅝
Wabash, Pfd., "B"	29⅞
Western Union	96
Westinghouse Electric	54⅛
Missouri Pacific	Wi. 32½

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Jan. 4. — Cotton, spot, lower; good middling, 11.04; middling, 10.88; low middling, 10.72; sales, 5,000 baless; 500 for speculation and exports. Receipts, 63,000. Futures, barely steady. January, 10.49; January-February, 10.49; February-March, 10.53; March-April, 10.58; April-May, 10.61; May-June, 10.64; June-July, 10.63 July-August, 10.62; August-September, 10.37; September-October, 10.08; October-November, 9.94; November-December, 9.86; December-January, 9.81.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Jan. 4. — Mercantile paper, 4@4¼; sterling, sixty day bills, 4.71½; commercial sixty day bills, on banks, 4.71¼; commercial sixty day bills, 4.71; demand, 4.75½; cables, 4.76 7-16. Bar silver, 75⅝. Mexican dollars, 58¼. Government bonds and railroad bonds, firm. Time loans, easy; sixty and ninety days, 3½@3¾; six months, 3¾@4. Call money, steady. Ruling rate, 2½.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Jan. 4. — Beeves—No trading. Calves, steady; veals, 11.00@16.00; culls, 9.00@10.00; barn yard calves, 6.00@7.00; yearlings, 5.00@6.00.

Sheep and Lambs — Steady. Fair sheep, ewes, 8.00; fair to prime lambs, 13.50@14.25.

Hogs — Steady. Medium weights, 10.75; rough, 9.40.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

January 5, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 50 degrees; at 8 P. M., 57 degrees; maximum, 71 degrees; minimum, 50 degrees; mean, 60 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .19 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 3.5 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Rain Friday; Saturday fair and colder.

The Port Calendar, Jan. 5, 1917.

Sun rises ..... 7:13 A. M.

Sun sets ..... 5:17 P. M.

Day's length ..... 9 hrs. 59 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	7:39	7:57	2:22	3:02
Southport	5:52	6:00	12:09	11:53
Masonboro Inl	5:41	5:49	11:49	11:33

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

January 4, 1917.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	cldy	66	54	.0
Asheville	cldy	64	40	.0
Atlanta	cldy	70	58	.0
Augusta	clear	76	56	.0
Baltimore	cldy	44	44	.01
Birmingh	pt cldy	74	44	.01
Boston	cldy	38	32	.16
Charleston	pt cldy	70	58	.0
Charlotte	cldy	62	52	.01
Chicago	rain	42	36	.0
Galveston	cldy	70	64	.0
Jacksonv.	clear	78	62	.0
Memphis	rain	70	64	.40
Mobile	cldy	70	62	.01
Montgom'y	clear	78	62	.16
New Orl.	cldy	80	68	.0
New York	cldy	46	40	.0
Oklahoma	clear	56	46	.02
Palestine	rain	74	68	.14
Pittsburg	cldy	50	32	.0
Raleigh	clear	60	46	.04
Savannah	clear	76	62	.0
Shreveport	rain	78	66	.0
St. Louis	rain	56	38	.32
Washing'n	cldy	42	26	.0

TEUTONS' ATTACKS REPULSED IN DOBRUDJA, SAYS PETROGRAD

Petrograd, via London, Jan. 3. — (British Admiralty, per Wireless Press) —The Russian official communication issued today says in part:

"In the Dobrudja the enemy throughout the day made a number of attack in the region of Matchin. He was repulsed and hastily retired."

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 3. — Captain Percy M. Cochran, of the quartermaster corps, U. S. A., died at the base hospital late today of pneumonia. He was a native of Florida, and was promoted from the ranks in 1898.

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On sale January 31, Feb. 3, 10, 11 and 14th, limited returning midnight, Feb. 20th.

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On sale Feb. 12 to 19, inclusive, limited returning midnight, March 2nd, limit extended to March 19th, on payment of $1.00.

TAMPA, FLA **$22.45**
On sale January 31st to Feb. 5th., inclusive, limited returning midnight, Feb. 20th; limit enxtended to March 3rd on payment $1.00.

PENSACOLA, FLA **$23.45**
On sale Feb. 12 to 19, inclusive, limited returning midnight, March 2nd; limit extended to March 19th, on payment $1.00.

NEW ORLEANS, LA **$28.75**
On sale Feb. 12 to 19th, inclusive; limited returning midnight, March 2nd; limit extended to March 19th, on payment $1.00.

NEW ORLEANS, LA **$33.10**
On sale January 27, 28; limited returning midnight, Feb. 5th.

For further information, apply
—'Phone 178.—
R. W. WALLACE,
C. T. A., Wilmington, N. C.
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THROUGH SLEEPING CARS TO RALEIGH.

Through sleeping cars are now operated between Wilmington and Raleigh, daily, except Sunday, on the following schedules:

3:20 A.M. Lv.	Wilmington	Ar.	1:15 A.M.
6:15 A.M. Ar.	Goldsboro	Lv.	10:25 P.M.
6:45 A.M. Lv.	Goldsboro	Ar.	9:25 P.M.
7:40 A.M. Ar.	Selma	Lv.	8:38 P.M.
8:52 A.M. Ar.	Raleigh	Lv.	7:25 P.M.

Sleepers will be open to receive passengers after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, southbound, until 7:00 A. M.

For reservations and further information

'Phone 160.
ATLANTIC COAST LINE
The Standard Railroad of the South.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, Effective Jan. 8, 1917. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90 3:20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. Through Sleeping Car between Wilmington and Raleigh. Open to receive passengers, after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 91 1:15 A. M. Daily except Monday.
No. 51 5:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.
No. 48 8:00 A. M Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 8:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 62 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Tuesday, Thursday and Sat. only.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Tuesday, Thursday and Sat. only.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager.
T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

WEEK DAYS

EASTBOUND: Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter Park	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsville	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington
6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	.....	6:15 A.M.	6:26 A.M.
6:50 A.M.	6:50 A.M.	.....	7:40 A.M.	7:50 A.M.	8:01 A.M.
8:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.	.....	.....	8:30 A.M.	8:41 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	9:15 A.M.	9:25 A.M.	9:36 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
1:10 P.M.	1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	11:45 P.M.	1:50 P.M.	2:01 P.M.
1:55 P.M.	1:55 P.M.	.....	.....	2:25 P.M.	2:36 P.M.
2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	.....	.....	3:00 P.M.	3:11 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	.....	3:50 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
4:10 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	4:30 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	.....	.....	5:10 P.M.
4:50 P.M.	.....	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	*6:40 P.M.	17:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

*Does not go beyond Station No. 3 on Beach. !Leaves from Station No. 3.

SUNDAYS

EASTBOUND: Leave "Electric Center" for Winter Park	Leave "Electric Center" for Wrightsville	Leave "Electric Center" for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington
6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	17:05 A.M.	7:15 A.M.	7:26 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	19:05 A.M.	9:15 A.M.	9:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	.....	10:20 A.M.	10:31 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
1:00 P.M.	1:00 P.M.	1:00 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
2:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	1:45 P.M.	1:55 P.M.	2:06 P.M.
2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	2:45 P.M.	2:55 P.M.	3:06 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:15 P.M.	3:25 P.M.	3:36 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
4:00 P.M.	4:00 P.M.	4:00 P.M.	4:15 P.M.	4:25 P.M.	4:36 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:45 P.M.	4:55 P.M.	5:06 P.M.
5:00 P.M.	5:00 P.M.	5:00 P.M.	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	5:45 P.M.	5:55 P.M.	6:06 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	*6:40 P.M.	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	17:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

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FREIGHT SCHEDULE (DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.)

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Steamship Cherokee, Mon., Jan. 15th

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Steamship Cherokee, Thurs., Jan. 18th

Wilmington to New York.

Steamship Chippewa, Thurs., Jan. 11th
Steamship Cherokee, Mon., Jan. 22nd

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DEPARTURE OF TRAINS FROM WILMINGTON:

No. 13—3:55 P. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR, WILMINGTON TO CHARLOTTE.

No. 19—5:00 A. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND CHARLOTTE. Open at 10:00 P. M., for Passengers.

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS AT WILMINGTON:

No. 14—12:30 P. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON.

No. 20—12:10 A. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON. PASSENGERS MAY REMAIN IN SLEEPER UNTIL 7:00 A. M.

For detailed information and reservations, call on City Ticket Agent, Orton Building, 'Phone 178.

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FROM WILMINGTON

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

$38.10—New Orleans, La.

Account Annual Meeting Western Fruit Jobbers' Association. Tickets will be sold Jan. 27 and 28, limited Feb. 5.

$22.45—Tampa, Fla.

Account Gasparilla Carnival. Tickets will be sold Jan. 31 to Feb. 5, limited returning until Feb. 20. Limit may be extended to March 3rd, upon payment of $1.00 and depositing with joint agent, etc.

$13.95—Atlanta, Ga.

Account Southeastern Land Show and the National Association of Builders Exchanges of the U. S. Tickets will be sold Jan. 31 and Feb. 3, 10, 11 and 14, limited returning until Feb. 20, but may be extended to March 6th by depositing and paying $1.00.

$23.45—Pensacola, Fla.

$24.55—Mobile, Ala.

$28.75—New Orleans, La.

Account Mardi Gras Celebration. Tickets will be sold Feb. 12 to 19, inclusive, limited returning until March 2nd, but may be extended until March 10th by depositing and paying $1.00.

Proportionate Fares from Other Points on the ATANTIC COAST LINE, "The Standard Railroad of the South."

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TOOK OWN LIFE AS EFFORT WAS MADE TO ARREST HIM

Bernard W. Lewis, of Pittsburg, Sought in Connection With the Death of Miss Colbert.

FOUND AT ATLANTIC CITY

Sent Bullet Through Head When Detectives Tried to Gain Entrance to His Room.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 4.—Bernard Wesley Lewis, son or a prominent retired coal dealer of Pittsburg, sought by the police in connection with the killing of Mazie Colbert, an artist's model, in her apartment at Philadelphia last week, shot and killed himself tonight in his apartment in the exclusive States Villa here while two detectives were trying to gain entrance to his rooms. The ball from a new 22-calibre rifle went into the temple and death was believed to have been instantaneous.

When the detectives knocked on the door of his room, Lewis went into the bath room, braced his feet against the head of the bath tub, placed the rifle to his head and pulled the trigger. When the officers broke down intervening doors a few minutes after they heard the shot they found the man dead.

The local department yesterday was requested by the Philadelphia police detectives, Farley and Totten, who were assigned to the case, to endeavor to locate Lewis. They learned that the young man's father some years ago lived in a house near States Villa and they went to that hotel, but Lewis was not there, nor had he made any reservation.

About 8 o'clock tonight a telephone message to Captain Malseed's office said a man answering the description of Lewis had entered States Villa and was then eating dinner. Farley and Totten immediately rushed to the house where they learned that Lewis had gone to his room on the third floor. They hurried up the stairs and rapped on the door of the bed room.

"Who is there?" Lewis called out.

"We have a message for you," Farley answered. "Let us in."

"All right," was the reply.

A moment later the detectives heard a door slam and fearing that Lewis was attempting to escape hurried to an adjoining room from which there was a communicating door to the bath room of Lewis' apartment. As they tried the door the rifle shot rang out. The key hole to the second door had been plugged, but the detectives soon opened the door leading to Lewis' bedroom. They found the door to the bath room locked, and were forced to break it open.

Lewis was found half reclining in the bath tub, with his foot braced against the head. The trigger of the rifle was still clasped in his hand and the end of the barrel rested against his temple. The detectives saw at once that the man was dead. Chief of Police Miller took temporary charge of the body and County Physician L. R. Souder expressed the opinion that death was instantaneous.

Lewis' fingers showed several scratches as though he had been in a struggle with ome one. On the bureau were several copies of today's Philadelphia, Atlantic City and New York newspapers. One contained the flaring head line across the front page "Girl May Solve Model Mystery." Underneath this was a large column cut of Mazie Colbert. The police said they found no written word in his effects, however, to convict him with the crime.

Lewis was positively identified by the owners of the hotel. He was a man apparently about 38 years old, dark complexion and extremely high forehead, rather prepossessing in appearance. He had little luggage and only $6 and some change.

According to the people at the hotel, he arrived there at 10 o'clock Wednesday night. He appeared rather morose and uncommunicative. He had been absent from the house much of the day and his movements between the time he arrived and the time of his suicide had not been fully traced.

BELIEVED TO HAVE AT LEAST KNOWN ABOUT THE MURDER

Philadelphia, Jan. 4.—The death by his own hand in an Atlantic City hotel tonight of Bernard W. Lewis, a wealthy young Pittsburger, as he was about to be arrested in connection with the murder of Maizie Colbert, the artist's model, the police declare, leads them to believe that he had knowledge of the crime, even if he was not actually the slayer. Although reports from Atlantic City late tonight said that Lewis had left no written statement, local authorities were hopeful that something would yet be found among his effects to clear up the mystery, which for four days had baffled the efforts of a score or more detectives.

A warrant for Lewis' arrest on the technical charge of defrauding a taxicab driver out of his fare early Friday, the day the crime is believed to have been committed, was issued today and fliers were sent broadcast by the police with a description of the Pittsburger. Lewis' name had been furnished the authorities by Misses Ethel and Mabel Kyle, sisters, both of whom were public school teachers, who said that the young man had taken them home in a taxicab after a dinner party down town. Elwood Powell, the chauffeur, in an affidavit before a magistrate, stated that he had later taken the man to the apartment house where Miss Colbert lived.

Lewis twice this afternoon telephoned, apparently from Atlantic City, to the home of the Kyle sisters, in Germantown. His calls were answered by Miss May Kyle, a third sister, and Lewis, she said, plunged at once into the subject of the murder. "What shall I do?" he is reported to save said. "Isn't this terrible?"

"Did you know the Colbert girl?" Miss Kyle said she asked him.

"Of course I did not know her," he is said to have replied.

"Then why have you not called on the detectives and explained where you were on Friday?" Miss Kyle asked. "Why didn't you let them know before this?"

Lewis is said to have replied:

"I thought the easiest way was the best."

Lewis was silent for a few moments and then said, according to Miss Kyle, "Don't worry. I am going to straighten this thing out. I have arranged to see a good lawyer and will do whatever he says."

Lewis then hung up the receiver. He called again in a few minutes, it is said, repeated his admonition that the sisters should not worry about the matter.

On Thursday night while Lewis was out with the Germantown teachers he is said to have called up Miss Colbert. During the dancing that night his collar became wilted, the Kyle sisters say, and he bought a new one at the hotel, the same size as the blood stained collar found in Miss Colbert's apartment. It also became wilted, the teachers say, and detectives say the collar found in the apartment had been discarded because it was wilted.

Captain of Detectives Tate, in a statement tonight, said that in his opinion Lewis is the man who committed the crime, but that the investigation of other clues will continue.

"If Lewis and Miss Colbert were in the room together when she was killed, it is possible that we may never know any more than we found out tonight," he said.

The jewels missing from the Colbert apartment, with the exception of a large diamond ring, were found today in a pawn shop by the police. They recovered two rings and a diamond lavalier. Miss Colbert had pledged these four days before Christmas and had bought Christmas presents for her family.

The murder of Maizie Colbert, which has greatly aroused the police and public, was discovered about midnight last Saturday when her sister, after ineffectual attempts to telephone, called at the woman's apartment.

The janitor entered through a window when knocks brought no response and discovered the bruised body, clad only in violet silk pajamas, lying on the bed. The form was covered with a sheet and a clumsy effort had been made to indicate suicide by attaching a rubber hose to a gas jet an placing it over the murdered girl's face. But the murderer overlooked the detail of turning on the gas.

Circumstances made it apparent that the girl had been dead many hours. She had been cruelly beaten, apparently with a flat iron, her teeth knocked out and bruises and cuts inflicted all over the body. A silk stocking was knotted tightly around her neck.

Letters and other communications found in Miss Colbert's apartment served to connect several prominent Philadelphians with the gay life the girl had been leading and they were questioned regarding the association with her. Suspicion rested on several and their knowledge of the girl caused them to pass many uncomfortable hours.

Miss Colbert was about 27 years old. She came from Kanew, Pa., eight years ago and soon afterward assumed the name of Mrs. Grace Roberts. Her family assert, however, that she was never married. She was possessed of great beauty of form and face and this led to her selection as a model for advertising.

LEWIS' FATHER DID NOT KNOW SON'S WHEREABOUTS

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 4.—Wenman A. Lewis, wealthy retired coal operator and father of Bernard W. Lewis, who was being sought in connection with the murder of Mazie Colbert, in Philadelphia, had heard nothing regarding the whereabouts of his son until informed by press dispatches tonight of his suicide in Atlantic City. He refused to make any comment.

Bernard W. Lewis was well known here, having been associated with his father in the coal business and at one time was connected in an official capacity with five coal companies in West Virginia. Three years ago he became a member of one of the largest stock brokerage houses in the city but retired from the firm one year later. His business frequently took him to New York and from that time his friends date the beginning of his failure in business. Domestic troubles later complicated the situation. His residence here was closed and Mrs. Lewis and her little daughter went to live with his parents.

Personal financial ventures in which he was concerned, particularly the ownership of a Pittsburg theatre, also failed and last November he announced his intention of going to New York to engage in the automobile business. But little had been neard from him by his father since that time.

LEWIS WAS AT ONE TIME A STUDENT AT YALE UNIVERSITY

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 4.—Bernard W. Lewis, who committed suicide at Atlantic City tonight, was a member of the class of 1901 at Yale but did not graduate. The university catalogue shows that he attended college from 1897 to 1899.

LEWIS AT ONE TIME WAS BROKER IN WALL STREET

New York, Jan. 4. — Berward W. Lewis was at one time a Wall street broker, a member of the firm of Moore, Leonard and Lewis. He was dropped by his partners more than a year ago, and the firm was reorganized.

Edgard W. Leonard, a partner in the firm, when asked why Lewis was dropped, replied: "We didn't like him." He denied that Lewis had become involved financially.

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VILLA ADHERENTS TO DISCUSS NEW GOVERNMENT PLAN

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United States, and there will be no meeting in San Antonio or elsewhere in the interest of my brother's campaign in Mexico with the idea of setting up a government.

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VILLISTAS AND CARRANZISTAS ENGAGE IN "SEVERE" FIGHTING

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 4.—Fighting between Villa forces and General Francisco Murguia's command south of Chihuahua City was reported late today by government agents. No details were given although the engagement was characterized as "severe".

It was also reported from the same source tonight that two of Murguia's advance guard troops' train had been captured by Villa troops and two others attacked at some point south of Bachimba pass. Villa was reported to be in the vicinity of Santa Rosalia with his staff. Neither of these reports could be verified from Carranza officials.

COOK COUNTY'S HOMICIDE RECORD ALMOST ONE A DAY

Chicago, Jan. 4.—A homicide almost every day was the Cook county record in 1916, according to the annual report of Dr. P. M. Hoffman, coroner, made public today. The report shows that in the year there were 312 homicides, 592 suicides, 276 persons killed by automobiles, 328 by railroad trains, 133 by street cars, and that 192 were burned and scalded to death. There were 6,323 births reported.

DANIEL SEEMS IN LEAD FOR SOUTHPORT OFFICE

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of expenses for traveling during the fiscal year ending June 30 last.

The $31.28 is listed under the head of "official trip" and the date is given as May 19, 1916. One straight fare from Washington to Charlotte via the direct line of Southern Railway costs $9.60 and a man's sized lower berth costs $2. The Secretary went to Charlotte on the President's special train and returned with the presidential party.

Representative Doughton has recommended John A. MaCrary for appointment as postmaster at Baden and John A. Rowland at Clifton. Baden is a presidential office and Clifton is a fourth-class position.

J. D. Norwood and J. L. McCanless, of Salisbury, are among today's arrivals here. P. R. A.

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(From Louisville Special)

A large company here has closed a contract with the French and British governments for 1,500,000 feet of mahogany lumber, to be used in the manufacture of blades for 40,000 aeroplanes those governments plan to build in 1917. There is no cancellation clause in the contract. Some of the lumber will go forward this year.

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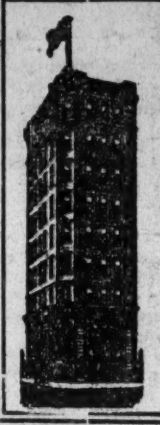

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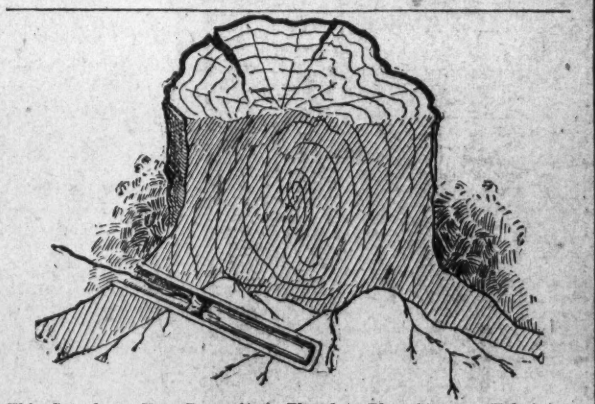

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RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	$ 5,863,611.18
U. S. Bonds (at par).	602,500.00
Bank Building	480,000.00
Bonds and Other Securities	346,000.00
Liquidation Account Southern National Bank	31,322.00
Customers' Liability Acceptances	552,155.97
Cash and Due by Banks	2,290,863.99
	$10,166,453.14

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	$ 1,000,000.00
Surplus and Net Profits	710,058.28
Circulation	543,700.00
Special Deposit Bonds	15,000.00
Acceptances	552,155.97
Deposits	7,345,538.89
	$10,166,453.14

DEPOSITS:

Dec. 27, 1914	$4,304,224.13
Dec. 27, 1915	$5,682,414.42
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